Title: Leisure

Status: Task and Finish Panel

Terms of Reference:

To consider the following issues as identified by Overview & Scrutiny Committee:

- (1) Waltham Abbey Sports Centre/Swimming Pool:
 - to assess the feasibility of providing a new sports hall at the Waltham Abbey Swimming Pool
 - to conclude the assessment commenced in 2007/08 of evaluating the current and potential future management arrangements at Waltham Abbey Sports Centre
- (2) The on-going monitoring of the Youth Initiatives Scheme
- (3) To evaluate, with the Epping Forest College, options for the provision of sports facilities as part of the development proposals for the College

Aims & objectives

Waltham Abbey

(1) To determine the feasibility of constructing a new sports hall as part of the present swimming pool complex thereby providing more modern and acceptable facilities for the local community and if feasible:

(a) to discuss the management Options and management fee with SLM; and

(b) to cease the existing dual use agreement at Waltham Abbey Sports centre

(2) To conclude negotiations with the King Harold School in respect of the future management of the existing dual use facility so that a recommendation can be made to Cabinet in respect of either:

(a) the cessation of the existing dual use arrangements due to the moving of the facility to Waltham Abbey swimming pool ; or

(b) additional investment into the existing sports centre with an on-going dual use agreement with the school for community use and a programme for the outsourcing of the facility management to a third party

Youth initiatives

(1) To complete the monitoring of the 2007/08 youth initiatives and to report the outcome to Overview & Scrutiny Committee and the Cabinet by the autumn of 2008

(2) To monitor the progress of the 10 year (2007 to 2017) Play Strategy and the application of the £244,000 capital funding over the next two years.

Epping Forest College

To work with the management of the Epping Forest College to explore, develop and bring forward proposals for the provision of community sports provision as part of the College expansion plans

Members are requested to read and bring to the first meeting the report of the Leisure Task and Finish Scrutiny Panel published in March 2008.

TIMESCALE	ESTIMATED	ACTUAL
Outline of requirements and recommendations re funding of Design Proposals. Report on temporary agreement progress with school	1 st meeting - July 2008	
Feasibility, costs and planning issues of scheme at WASP reported back Report back on discussions with SLM re Management fee etc	T&F October/ November 2008	
If new build recommended. report to Overview and Scrutiny Committee. If site remaining at WASC then propose future objectives of facility.	O&S	
If WASP project agreed by O&S then report to cabinet re new build request for funding of scheme 2009/10 and future budgetary changes re closure of WASC If site remaining at WASC then report recommended programme and timetable for outsourcing and Tender process	December 2008	
If WASP project agreed then get Cabinet confirmation of Capital Budget and SLM Management Fee	January /February 2008	
Chairman: Councillor Mrs R Gadsby		