

HALTON BOROUGH COUNCIL



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8 October 2019

**TO: MEMBERS OF THE HALTON
BOROUGH COUNCIL**

You are hereby summoned to attend an Ordinary Meeting of the Halton Borough Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Runcorn Town Hall on Wednesday, 16 October 2019 commencing at 6.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering and passing such resolution(s) as may be deemed necessary or desirable in respect of the matters mentioned in the Agenda.

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Chief Executive

-AGENDA-

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	RECOMMENDED: That Council make a change to the Capital Programme in order to finance the development of a Leisure Centre at Moor Lane, Widnes.	
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In this case Council has a discretion to exclude the press and public and, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, it is **RECOMMENDED** that under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, having been satisfied that in all the circumstances of the case the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

Please note that if this resolution is passed, members of the press and public will be asked to leave the room prior to the consideration of the following business.

18. MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION OF THE COUNCIL

- a) Sci-Tech Daresbury: Project Violet Funding Update (MINUTE EXB 39 refers)

Executive Board considered the attached report.

RECOMMENDED: That Council include the scheme in the 2019/20 Capital Programme, to be funded as set out in paragraph 3.2 to 3.4 of the report.

SEE MINUTE BOOK

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REPORT TO: Council

DATE: 16 October 2019

REPORTING OFFICER: Operational Director – Finance

PORTFOLIO: Resources

SUBJECT: 2019/20 Revised Capital Programme

WARD(S): Borough-wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek approval to a number of revisions to the Council's 2019/20 capital programme.

2.0 RECOMMENDED: That the revisions to the Council's 2019/20 capital programme set out in paragraph 3.2 below, be approved.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 On 19 September 2019 Executive Board received a report of spending against the Council's revenue budget and capital programme as at 30 June 2019. A number of revisions to the 2019/20 capital programme were recommended for approval by Council as outlined below.

3.2 It is proposed to revise the Council's 2019/20 capital programme, to reflect a number of changes in spending profiles and funding as schemes have developed. These are reflected in the revised capital programme presented in Appendix 1. The schemes which have been revised within the programme are as follows

1. Children's Playground Equipment
2. Crow Wood Play Area
3. Peelhouse Lane Cemetery
4. Peelhouse Lane Cemetery - Enabling Works
5. Pheonix Park
6. Sandymoor Playing Fields
7. Victoria Park Glass House
8. Widnes & Runcorn Cemeteries
9. Linnets Clubhouse
10. The Croft
11. Landfill Tax Credit Schemes
12. Runcorn Town Park
13. Bowling Greens
14. Widnes Market Refurbishment
15. Solar Farm
16. Mersey Gateway – Land Acquisition

17. Mersey Gateway – Development Costs
18. Bridge & Highway Maintenance
19. Silver Jubilee Bridge – Major Maintenance
20. Silver Jubilee Bridge - Decoupling
21. SUD Green Cycle / Walk Corridors
22. ALD Bungalows
23. Purchase of 2 Adapted Properties
24. Simms Cross remodelling
25. The Grange – Brookfields Provision

4.0 POLICY AND OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

- 5.1 There are no direct implications; however, the capital programme supports the delivery and achievement of all the Council's priorities.

6.0 RISK ANALYSIS

- 6.1 There are a number of financial risks within the capital programme. However, the Council has internal controls and processes in place to ensure that spending remains in line with budget.
- 6.2 In preparing the 2019/20 budget and capital programme, a register of significant financial risks was prepared which has been updated as at 30 June 2019.

7.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

- 7.1 None.

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1072

- 8.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.

Capital Programme as at 30 June 2019

Directorate/Department	Actual Expenditure to Date £'000	2019/20 Cumulative Capital Allocation				Capital Allocation 2020/21 £'000	Capital Allocation 2021/22 £'000
		Quarter 1 £'000	Quarter 2 £'000	Quarter 3 £'000	Quarter 4 £'000		
Enterprise Community & Resources Directorate							
Community and Environment							
Stadium Minor Works	0	10	20	30	39	30	30
Stadium Pitch	0	0	0	21	21	0	0
Stadium – Karalius Suite reconfiguration	0	0	0	14	14	0	0
Open Spaces Schemes	66	100	143	143	143	0	0
Children's Playground Equipment	3	3	85	100	149	65	65
Upton Improvements	0	0	5	25	13	0	0
Crow Wood Play Area	166	166	166	200	250	15	0
Peelhouse Lane Cemetery	0	4	400	700	900	50	5
Peelhouse Lane Cemetery – Enabling Works	4	4	5	7	11	1	0
Pheonix Park	0	0	3	3	3	0	0
Victoria Park Glass House	13	13	24	50	305	0	0
Sandymoor Playing Fields	26	26	26	30	40	30	0
Widnes & Runcorn Cemeteries	45	60	100	150	190	9	0
Landfill Tax Credit Schemes	2	2	2	10	20	340	340
Runcorn Town Park	2	5	75	150	200	280	280
Bowling Greens	1	5	10	20	32	2	0
Litter Bins	0	0	0	0	20	20	20
Community Shop	0	0	0	50	50	0	0

Directorate/Department	Actual Expenditure to Date £'000	2019/20 Cumulative Capital Allocation				Capital Allocation 2020/21 £'000	Capital Allocation 2021/22 £'000
		Quarter 1 £'000	Quarter 2 £'000	Quarter 3 £'000	Quarter 4 £'000		
Libraries IT equipment	0	0	95	95	95	0	0
ICT & Support Services							
ICT Rolling Programme	60	60	80	400	700	700	700
Economy, Enterprise & Property							
3MG	23	23	24	34	126	0	0
Widnes Waterfront	0	0	0	0	1,000	0	0
SciTech Daresbury – EZ Grant	40	40	96	96	96	0	0
Venture Field	20	20	30	41	41	0	0
Linnets Clubhouse	2	2	40	90	140	59	0
The Croft	0	0	30	30	30	0	0
Murdishaw redevelopment	0	0	10	20	38	0	0
Former Crosville Site	0	0	0	200	331	0	0
Advertising Screen at The Hive	0	0	0	0	100	0	0
Widnes Market Refurbishment	32	32	40	50	100	40	0
Broseley House	7	7	150	300	461	0	0
Solar Farm	16	16	153	353	709	500	0
Equality Act Improvement Works	77	77	150	200	300	300	300
Mersey Gateway							
Land Acquisitions	19	19	35	52	3,395	0	0
Development Costs	14	14	45	75	105	0	0
Other							
Risk Management	13	13	106	200	377	120	120

Directorate/Department	Actual Expenditure to Date £'000	2019/20 Cumulative Capital Allocation				Capital Allocation 2020/21 £'000	Capital Allocation 2021/22 £'000
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4		
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Fleet Replacements	457	457	794	1,154	1,471	1,760	3,043
Policy, Planning & Transportation							
Bridge & Highway Maintenance	1,117	1,117	2,650	4,200	5,867	0	0
Integrated Transport & Network Management	91	91	260	430	604	0	0
Street Lighting – Structural Maintenance & Upgrades	66	66	630	1,190	1,755	2,000	200
STEPS Programme	477	477	1,245	2,013	2,013	0	0
Silver Jubilee Bridge Major Maintenance	1,498	1,498	2,375	3,250	4,126	0	0
Silver Jubilee Bridge Decoupling	1,186	1,186	2,700	4,200	5,705	0	0
Widnes Loops	107	107	1,590	3,070	4,553	0	0
KRN – Earle Road Gyratory	3	3	80	160	238	0	0
Travelodge / Watkinson Way Footpath	0	0	40	80	128	0	0
SUD Green Cycle / Walk Corridors	1	1	1	123	245	435	267
Total Enterprise Community & Resources	5,654	5,724	14,513	23,809	37,249	6,756	5,370
Directorate/Department	Actual Expenditure to Date	2019/20 Cumulative Capital Allocation				Capital Allocation 2020/21	Capital Allocation 2021/22

	£'000	Quarter 1 £'000	Quarter 2 £'000	Quarter 3 £'000	Quarter 4 £'000	£'000	£'000
People Directorate							
Adult Social Care							
ALD Bungalows	0	0	0	0	0	199	0
Purchase of 2 adapted properties	5	5	10	15	512	0	0
Orchard House	4	5	10	15	327	0	0
Carefirst Upgrade	362	362	362	362	362	0	0
Complex Pool							
Disabled Facilities Grant	163	165	300	450	619	0	0
Stairlifts (Adaptations Initiative)	39	75	150	225	322	0	0
RSL Adaptations (Joint Funding)	57	75	100	150	300	0	0
Carehome Acquisitions and refurbishment	6	6	2,400	3,000	3,837	0	0
Oakmeadow refurbishment	0	0	50	105	105	0	0
Directorate/Department	Actual Expenditure to Date	2019/20 Cumulative Capital Allocation				Capital Allocation 2020/21	Capital Allocation 2021/22
	£'000						

		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	£'000	£'000
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000		
Schools Related							
Asset Management Data	2	2	5	5	5	0	0
Capital Repairs	26	30	588	608	883	0	0
Asbestos Management	0	2	10	20	43	0	0
Schools Access Initiative	0	0	5	17	17	0	0
Basic Need Projects	0	0	30	30	494	437	0
Fairfield Primary School	0	0	34	34	34	0	0
Kitchen Gas Safety	0	0	30	50	68	0	0
Small Capital Works	2	1	16	75	126	0	0
Bridge School Vocational Centre	1	1	11	27	27	0	0
Simms Cross	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
SEND capital allocation	75	75	350	550	619	253	0
Healthy Pupils Capital Fund	4	4	13	17	17	0	0
The Grange – Brookfields Provision	0	0	30	30	30	0	0
Total People Directorate	747	809	4,505	5,786	8,748	889	0
TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME	6,401	6,533	19,018	29,595	45,997	7,645	5,370
Slippage (20%)					-9,199	-1,529	-1,074
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TOTAL	6,401	6,533	19,018	29,595	36,798	15,315	5,825

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REPORT TO:	Executive Board
DATE:	19 September 2019
REPORTING OFFICER:	Strategic Director, Enterprise, Community and Resources
PORTFOLIO:	Physical Environment and Community & Sport
SUBJECT:	Leisure Centre at Moor Lane
WARDS:	Borough-Wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek agreement to fund the development of a Leisure Centre at Moor Lane, Widnes.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That

- (1) Council be recommended to make a change to the Capital Programme in order to finance the development of a leisure centre at Moor Lane Widnes;**
- (2) Executive Board delegates responsibility for the delivery of the project to the Operational Director Economy Enterprise and Property and the Operational Director Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holders for Physical Environment and Community and Sport; and**
- (3) Executive Board is provided with a further progress report in six months' time.**

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

In September 2018, the Executive Board gave Officers authority to explore funding sources to finance a replacement leisure centre for the leisure centre at Kingsway.

To do this, further feasibility work was required to determine the likely design, scale scope and cost of a replacement leisure centre.

Following a discussion with Wates Group, who are one of the largest privately-owned construction, development and property services companies in the UK, it was decided to have them undertake the feasibility work. This was possible as Wates are the sole provider on Scape's Major Works UK framework, Scape being a public sector framework provider, who ensures their various frameworks are fully OJEU compliant. The feasibility work was done free of charge under the framework.

It must be stressed that this does not/did not bind the Council to any future contractual arrangements. It is probable that Wates regarded this as an opportunity to showcase their work and develop a longer term strategic relationship with the Council.

Wates subsequently assembled a consortium including Ellis Williams Architects and Ramboll a leading engineering, design and consultancy company.

Wates were asked to develop proposals to provide a modern (leisure) hub facility for Halton comprising the following:

- 25m x 6 lane swimming pool with a learner pool
- Circa 150 swimming pool seating provision
- 100 station health and fitness provision
- 4/6 court sports hall
- A minimum of 2 multi-purpose/flexible studio spaces
- Complementary Facilities
- Health Consultation rooms
- Café/social space

Wates have now produced a comprehensive report.

In developing the proposals, Wates have led a number of workshops with Council staff, i.e. Highways, Leisure Services, Regeneration, Planning, and Property to better understand the Council's requirements.

Based on a 'You said, we did' methodology, Wates should be commended for the thorough and inclusive approach that they have taken to arrive at the proposals and recommendations outlined in the report. The report includes a number of key considerations including:

- Site Analysis
- Site Context
- Site Opportunities
- Sport England Requirements
- Design Options (Internal and external layout)
- Proposed Site Plan
- Risk Analysis
- Budget

Further information on the proposed design and use of a future leisure centre are contained in Appendix 1.

The feasibility work concluded that a leisure centre could be located on the Moor Lane site without the need to acquire adjacent properties, (for example, the pallet premises, which is located to the rear of the site), and that the land is within the ownership of the Council.

The Council's Management Team has previously received a summary of the possible procurement routes and management options together with the advantages and disadvantages of each option.

As a result, the Executive Board is advised that the most appropriate route would be for the Council to procure a building company to construct the facility, then the Council would manage the facility 'in house'. The total costs of delivering a leisure centre would be approximately £20 million. As the feasibility work was undertaken six months ago, there may be adjustments for inflation.

The future management arrangements would need to take into account the fact that the Council currently operates Runcorn Swimming Pool and the Brookvale Dual Use Centre.

Next Steps

Were Members to agree to the development of a leisure centre, as outlined above, there are three routes that the Council could take to commission the construction of the facilities.

Option 1 – Progress with leading contract provider.

With this option Wates as described above would, as leading provider, through an existing procurement framework, would continue to progress the development.

The main advantage of this option is that time would be saved because the leading provider already has worked up proposals and is familiar with the Council's requirements.

The main disadvantage of this option is that there is no opportunity to seek a reduction in costs through a competitive process

Option 2 – Undertake a mini competition through an existing framework.

With this option providers that are already registered on an existing framework would be invited to tender for the work.

The main advantage of this option is that there is a possibility, although not guaranteed to reduce costs through the tendering exercise. The main disadvantage is that there will be a delay whilst the tender documentation is prepared and assessed.

Option 3 – Invite Expressions of Interest Via the Chest.

The main advantage of this approach is the Council would seek interest from a wider market, potentially driving down costs and enabling a benchmarking of different 'offers' to take place. It might also produce alternative delivery options.

The main disadvantage is that the process itself can be expensive and time consuming. It is one of the reasons why the Council often tenders work through an existing framework given the tender process has already identified competent providers of a service.

On balance, it is recommended that Option 1 would be the best route to progress.

In respect of this Wates's feasibility report indicated a timescale of 140 weeks from issuing them the order to them delivering the finished building. Realistically we are therefore looking at a 3 year period for delivery, hence assuming a start date of 1st October 2019, work would be completed by 1st October 2022.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The Council's policy as outlined in the Indoor and Built Facilities Strategy is to 'create a high quality accessible and sustainable facility capable of supporting sport, health and well-being which offer inclusive services for all; enabling the inactive to become active and more residents to fulfil their potential by participating in sport and physical activity, thus improving their long term health and well-being'.

It is recognised that the borough's leisure provision should be accessible to all its residents. Whilst the proposals in this report relate to a development in Widnes, further work is being undertaken to promote leisure provision in Runcorn. This work will take into account the Halton Lea Healthy New Town Masterplan. The Masterplan provides a framework set around a vision for regeneration with health and wellbeing at the heart of these proposals. It has allowed strategic partners including Health, Runcorn Shopping City, The Council, Registered Social Landlords, the Police, and Voluntary Sector to agree priorities aimed at attracting future investment to the area.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

A budget of £18.8 million to deliver a leisure centre would be required, but this does not include the (non-essential) acquisition of a small parcel of land to maximise opportunities on site by providing a more regular shaped boundary, nor does it include the costs of relocating the bus depot and Enterprise Car Hire centre. Therefore, a figure of £20 million would be more accurate.

This would be a major and significant investment for the Borough. Other options have been considered in order to finance the scheme. This includes seeking a private sector investor partner and or engaging a private sector partner to manage the facility in the future.

However, it is considered that the only reasonable way to fund the development would be for the Council to borrow the capital needed to build the leisure centre.

There is potential to reduce borrowing costs through utilisation of a capital receipt from the sale of the existing Kingsway site. Net proceeds are estimated at £1m which will reduce the overall borrowing requirement to £19m.

It is advised repayment of borrowing costs should be over a period of 25 years to match the likely estimated useful life of the centre. The annual cost of borrowing £19m will be approximately £1.117m, split between £0.357m interest costs and £0.760m principal repayment (known as MRP – Minimum Revenue Provision). MRP is payable the year after the asset becomes operational.

Appendix A provides a summary of forecast operational costs and income at Kingsway Leisure over the construction period and first five years of operation at the proposed new site.

It is forecast a new build will boost receipt of income significantly from current levels although net off to an extent by an increase in staffing and other costs in servicing the increase in demand. A new build is also likely to reduce the running and maintenance costs of the building, this is reflected in Appendix A.

The 2019/20 net budget cost of Kingsway Leisure Centre is £0.522m. As a result of the new build this is forecast to increase by £0.375m during the construction period to £0.897m and by a high of £0.902m in 2023/24 (first full year of operation) although reducing in future years to £0.639m in 2027/28

The impact of the above will need to be added to the Council's medium term forecast budget deficit unless other sources can be found.

There may be an opportunity to reduce the additional annual cost during the operational period of the leisure facility. However, to enable this, the Council would need to consider an outsourcing option. The saving of the outsourcing option is approximately £0.242m, this includes a reduction in staffing costs plus a saving on business rates if the operator was to benefit from relief of 80%, a forecast saving of £0.160m.

Costs could be reduced through the procurement process; securing external funding, or generating a capital receipt from the Kingsway site; and or a refinement of the specification for a leisure centre.

Discussions have recently taken place with the Combined Authority to acquire neighbouring sites which would support the development.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 Children and Young People in Halton

Not applicable

6.2 Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton

Not Applicable

6.3 A Healthy Halton

The proposals promote strong links between leisure provision and associated health benefits.

6.4 A Safer Halton

Not Applicable

6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

The proposals contribute to improving an important gateway to the town centre. Part of the proposals will include improvements to pedestrian routes between Moor Lane and Kingsway.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

A risk assessment has been undertaken previously and this related to the decision regarding the most appropriate method of procuring the construction of the facility.

All forms of procurement have advantages and disadvantages. Much will depend on HBC's approach to risk, whether HBC can access additional funding, and not least additional soundings from the market.

Timetable

The timing of any development will be affected by the Council's ability to negotiate an agreement with tenants and landowners to relocate.

Alternatives Considered

Developing an Alternative Site

Previous reports have outlined the relative strengths and weaknesses of developing the Kingsway and Moor Lane sites. It was concluded that Moor Lane should be used to develop a leisure facility, whilst Kingsway lends itself to a mixed use development with a focus on a residential offer for the Borough's older residents.

Refurbishment of the Existing Kingsway Leisure Centre

There is also an option to refurbish the existing leisure centre on the Kingsway Site.

The estimated costs of doing this are £12 million. This option would include the costs of new plant and machinery as well as new roof and structure with a life expectancy for the building of approximately 25 years.

Obviously, this is the least expensive option, but there are some disadvantages to this. The main disadvantage is that this would comprise a refurbishment of an existing facility on an existing footprint. Given the recommendations outlined in the Indoor and Built Sports Strategy it would be questioned whether this would deliver a service fit for the Borough's 21st Century leisure needs. Secondly, there would be considerable disruption to the existing facility during the refurbishment. Thirdly, it would reduce the footprint of the Kingsway site available for other end uses.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

The proposals would promote equality of access to leisure facilities in the borough.

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

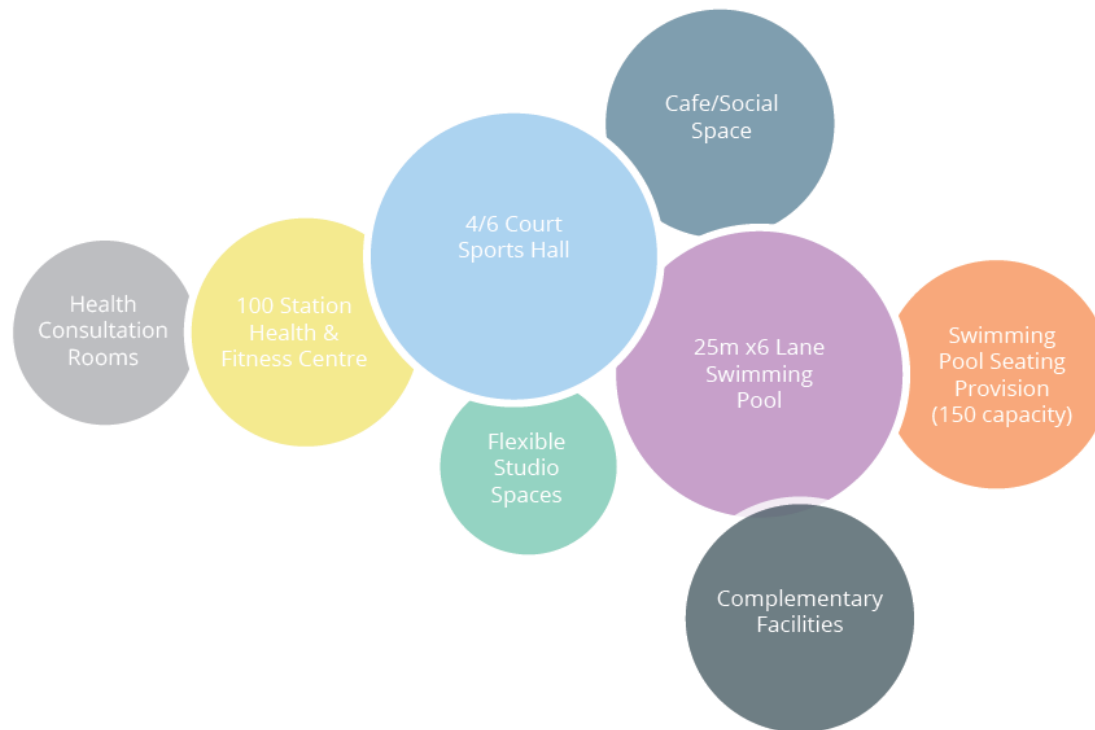
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Widnes Leisure Centre Forecast Budget 2019-2027

		Construction Period				Operation Period				
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	
Expenditure										
Staffing	925	944	962	1,011	1,040	1,061	1,082	1,104	1,126	
Premises	547	558	569	500	420	428	437	446	455	
Supplies & Services	59	59	59	113	166	172	178	182	185	
Total Expenditure	1,531	1,561	1,590	1,624	1,626	1,661	1,697	1,732	1,766	
Income	-1,009	-1,029	-1,050	-1,196	-1,319	-1,490	-1,559	-1,590	-1,622	
Net Operational Expenditure	522	532	540	428	307	171	138	142	144	
Capital Financing Costs	0	357	357	357	1,117	1,117	1,117	1,117	1,117	
Total Net Cost	522	889	897	785	1,424	1,288	1,255	1,259	1,261	

Halton Leisure Centre



1.1 BRIEF

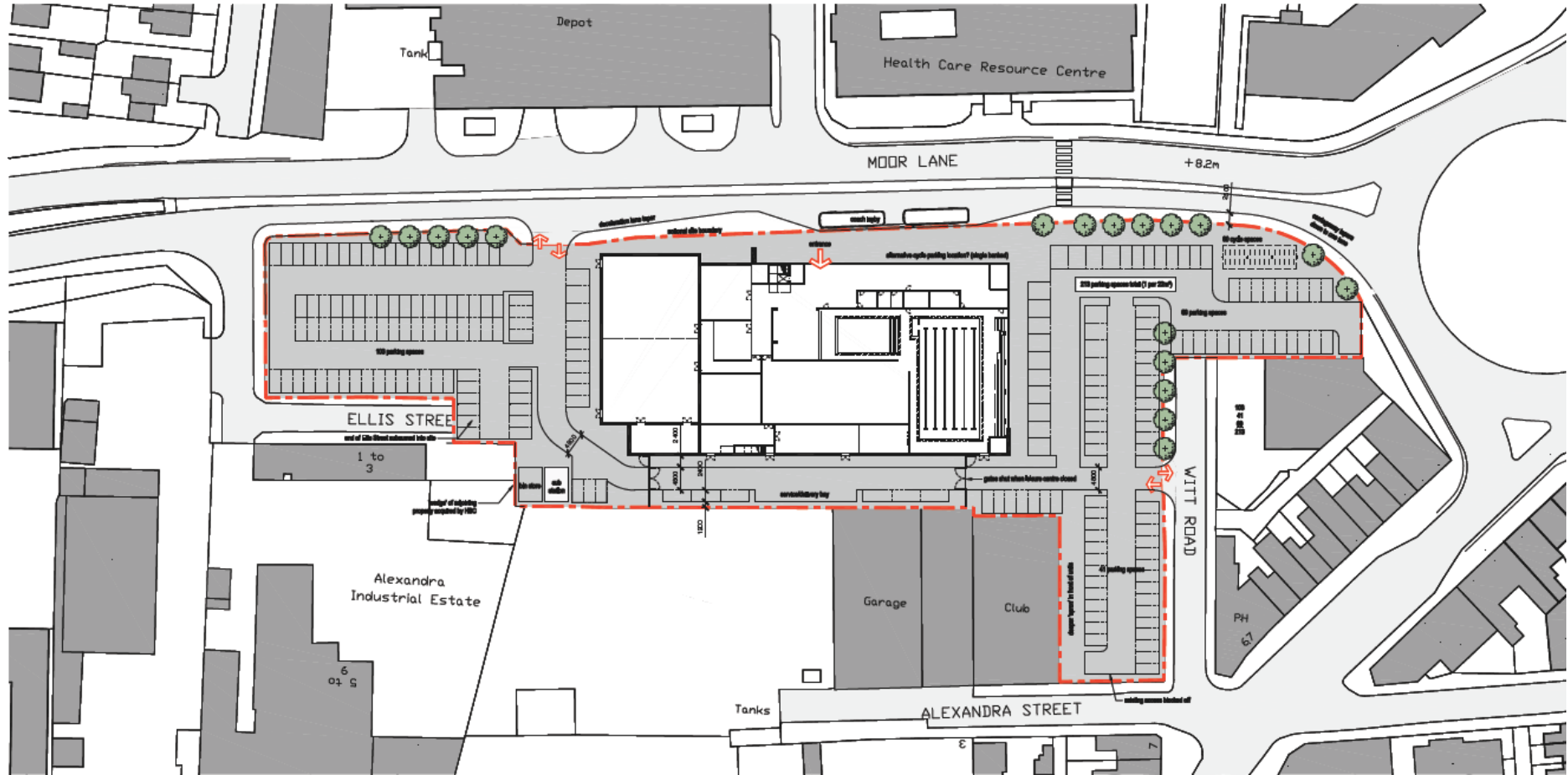
Kingsway Leisure Centre is the hub leisure site in the Authority which offers a range of activities and currently hosts a number of sports clubs, including Halton Swimming Club. HBC should replace Kingsway to provide a modern hub facility for Halton which should feature the following:

- 25m x6 lane swimming pool with a learner pool
- Circa 150 swimming pool seating provision
- 100 station health & fitness provision
- 4/6 court sports hall
- A minimum of 2 multi-purpose/flexible studio spaces
- Complementary Facilities
- Health consultation rooms
- Cafe/social space

Swimming pool provision should be replaced on a like for like basis to provide an attractive base for Halton Swimming Club and the local authority's learn to swim programme. Providing seating will also ensure the facility can support regular swimming competitions, supporting the performance requirements of the club.

Current sports hall provision is proposed to be replaced on a slightly reduced basis in order to retain a central day-time accessible community sports hall in the Borough. Dry side spaces at Kingsway should be augmented by flexible studio and activity provision which will be appropriate in respect of addressing the issue of inactivity in Halton. Complementary facilities such as clip and climb/soft play meanwhile could provide regular revenue streams to reduce Local Authority subsidy requirements and this will need to be explored further.

2.1 PROPOSED SITE PLAN



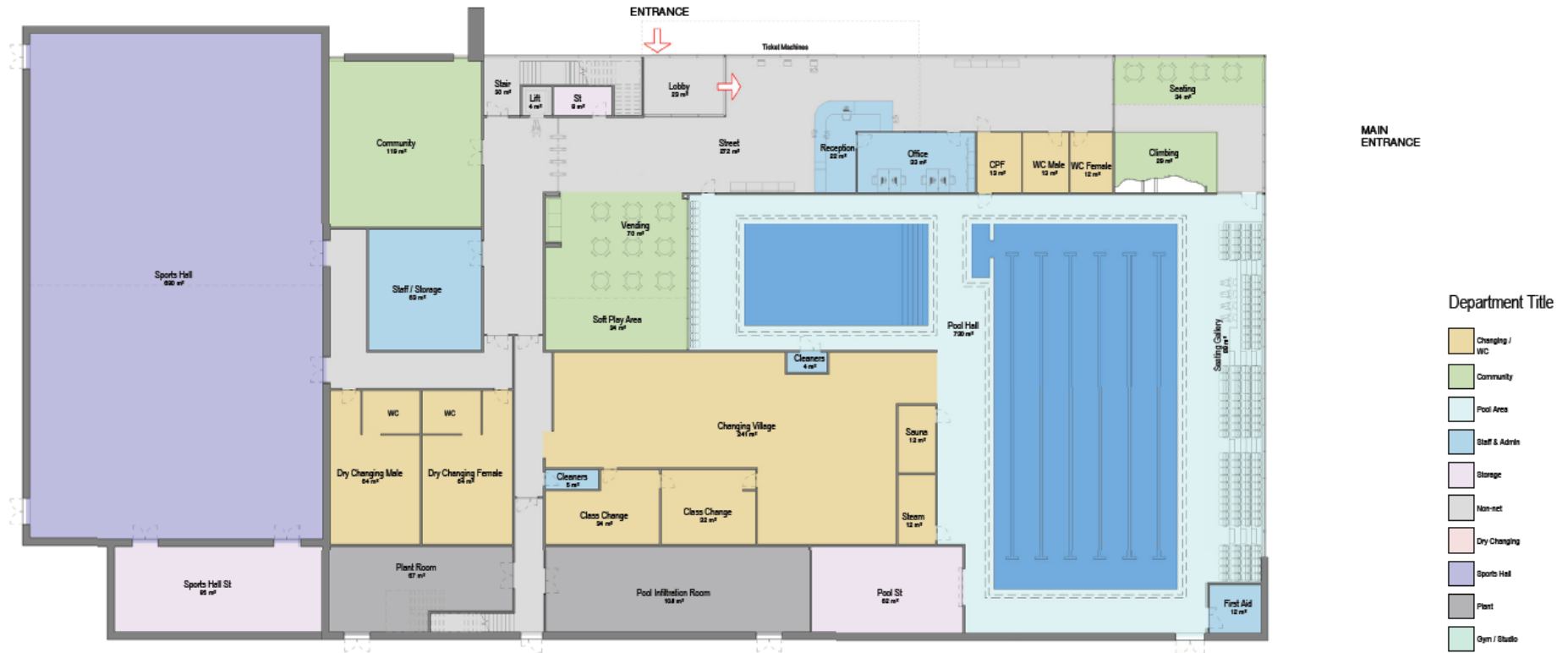
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First Floor GIA = 1247m²

Total GIA = 4528m²

Circulation as 12.5% of GIA

2.2 GROUND FLOOR PLAN



2.3 FIRST FLOOR PLAN

Ground Floor GIA = 3281m²

First Floor GIA = 1247m²

Total GIA = 4528m²

Circulation as 12.5% of GIA



Department Title

- Changing / WC
- Community
- Pool Area
- Staff & Admin
- Storage
- Non-net
- Dry Changing
- Sports Hall
- Plant
- Gym / Studio

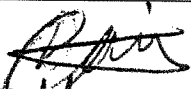



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To be submitted to the meeting of Full Council to be held on:

16 OCTOBER 2019

in accordance with Standing Order Number 6.

	Name (in capitals)	Signature
Proposer:	Councillor L Cassidy	
Seconder:	Councillor G Zygadlo	

MOTION TO COUNCIL: ORGEAVE

This Council is concerned and disappointed by the previous Home Secretary's rejection on the 31st October 2016 of an Inquiry into the policing of events at Orgreave. This Council notes, since this decision was taken, a new Home Secretary, Priti Patel, is now in office.

Council is pleased to note the decision by the Scottish Parliament on 7th June 2018 to order an independent review to investigate and report on the impact of policing on affected communities in Scotland during the period of the miners' strike from March 1984- March 1985. This Council further praises the decision of the Welsh Assembly on 12th June 2018 to write to the Home Secretary, to ask for an independent review into policing in England and Wales during the miners' strike, and on 13th June 2018 to also write again asking that the Home Secretary orders an inquiry specifically into the policing at Orgreave on 18th June 1984.

Council asks, in the light of such statements from the Scottish and Welsh government, what the Home Secretary has done since these statements, to take these into account and express her views, on a full public inquiry into the events at the Orgreave coking plant on 18th June 1984. Council notes that 95 miners were arrested and charged with offences, but were all later acquitted amid claims that police at the time had fabricated evidence.

Halton Council observes that the Independent Police Complaints Commission said about Orgreave on 18th June 1984 in their report released in June 2015 "that there was evidence of excessive violence by police officers, and a false narrative from police exaggerating violence by miners, perjury by officers giving evidence to prosecute the arrested men, and an apparent cover-up of that perjury by senior officers".

This Council is of the view that the Home Secretary needs to acknowledge the action of the Scottish government and the call from the Welsh government and confirm her response.



Halton Council resolves to write to the Home Secretary to ask that they acknowledge the response of the Scottish and Welsh Parliaments, explains what action she has taken in response and takes into account the opinion of this Council and accepts that there is widespread public concern about events at Orgreave and calls for her to order an inquiry into them.

NOTICE OF MOTION

To be submitted to the meeting of Full Council to be held on:

16 OCTOBER 2019

in accordance with Standing Order Number 6.

	Name (in capitals)	Signature
Proposer:	Councillor P Wallace	
Seconder:	Councillor J Roberts	

MOTION TO COUNCIL: PERSONAL CARE

This Council notes that over a million older people in England are struggling with unmet care needs and believes that given there is an ageing population we need changes to deliver better for social care.

The government is not giving local authorities enough money to deliver a quality care service and social care funding is not ring-fenced. Since 2010, £2 million has been taken out of the social care budget every day and as our population ages and social care demand increases, we urgently need a stable, comprehensive solution to the funding crisis.

The Council takes the view that:

1. The government should address the funding crisis facing social care and should provide local Councils with the financial means to address the needs of all older people with care requirements.
2. The social care system needs major reform to provide a long-term sustainable funding solution and to make care free at the point of use.

The Council calls on government to take the necessary steps to implement these changes as swiftly as possible to end the care crisis and properly support older people in Halton.



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	Name (in capitals)	Signature
Proposer:	Councillor G Logan	
Seconder:	Councillor A MacManus	

MOTION TO COUNCIL: LEASEHOLD OWNERSHIP

This Council calls for changes to leasehold home ownership to prevent Halton home owners being exposed to the risk of excessive ground rents, punitive fees and onerous contract conditions, stating what homeowners can and can't do to their own home.

Council notes that a significant number of houses and apartments in Halton are owned as leasehold and we call for government to introduce wide-ranging proposals, giving new and fairer rights to leaseholders.

Council resolves to write to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government urging that government take steps to:

- 1) End the sale of new private leasehold houses with direct effect and the sale of private leasehold flats.
- 2) End ground rents for new leasehold homes, and cap ground rents for existing leaseholders up to a maximum of £250 a year.
- 3) Set a simple fair formula for leaseholders to buy the freehold to their home, or commonhold in the case of an apartment.
- 4) Crack down on unfair fees and contract terms by publishing a reference list of reasonable charges, requiring transparency on service charges and giving leaseholders a right to challenge rip-off fees and conditions or poor performance from service companies.
- 5) Give residents greater powers over the management of their homes, with new rights for apartment owners to form residents' associations and by simplifying the right to manage.

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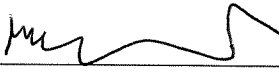

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Wednesday 16th October 2019

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	Name (in capitals)	Signature
Proposer:	Councillor N Plumpton Walsh	
Seconder:	Councillor W Woolfall	

MOTION TO COUNCIL: CLIMATE EMERGENCY

This Council resolves to declare a Climate Emergency. Council believes that climate change poses a severe risk to the future of our planet and global warming has serious consequences, affecting our economic, social and environmental well-being, both here in Halton and across the world.

In looking at our business activities Council agrees to:

- Ensuring that Council takes responsibility for reducing, as rapidly as possible, the carbon emissions resulting from our business activities.
- Strive towards ensuring all Council activities become carbon neutral.
- Ensure all strategic decisions, budget priorities and approaches to managing our services give regard to shifting towards being carbon neutral.
- Seek to achieve 100% clean energy across the full range of the Council's functions.

Further, Council requests that each Policy & Performance Board reviews the impact of climate change when reviewing Council policies and strategies.

In looking at protecting our communities Council further agrees:

- To help promote support from our communities for environmental change that will help reduce or eliminate carbon emissions and help raise public awareness.
- To ask all Halton schools to cover climate change within the school curriculum. Council believes all young people should be educated about the ecological and social impact of climate change.



- Work with, influence and inspire Council partners across the borough, Cheshire and Liverpool City Region to put concern for climate change in all relevant strategies, plans and shared resources.

Council further calls upon the government to provide added resources and funding to help local authorities be best prepared to help tackle global warming at a local level.

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	Name (in capitals)	Signature
Proposer:	Councillor P Lloyd-jones	
Seconder:	Councillor L Cassidy	

Motion: Fighting fire in our Borough

This council pays tribute to the essential work undertaken by every member of staff at Cheshire Fire and Rescue. We recognise that it is their hard work, everyday, that keeps people safe in their homes, in the place that they work, or whilst they are here visiting our County.

This council believes that government cuts to fire services in the UK have gone too far. We recognise the pressures faced by Cheshire Fire and Rescue and the Fire Authority, which has had to deal with cuts of £12 million over the past nine years.

This council understands the high levels of public concern about fire cuts and the impact that this could have on the community where they live. We acknowledge the role that the campaign in Crewe played in raising awareness amongst members of the public about fire cover in the area. The level of public interest in both this campaign and campaigns in Chester and Ellesmere Port serves as a reminder to councils and other public services in the sub-region about the need to be innovative in finding ways to involve and communicate with residents in the decisions we take.

This council believes that all residents in Halton and across the County, need to feel confident about response times and fire cover where they live. Therefore this council resolves to ask the Leader of the Council to write to the Policing and Fire Minister to lobby for:

- An urgent government review of the impact of austerity on fire services and response times
- Restoration of the cuts to fire service finances over the last nine years.
- A decent pay rise for Cheshire Firefighters and staff.

And to write to the Chief Fire Officer at Cheshire Fire and Rescue to ask that the Fire Authority considers the following recommendations:

- That as part of ongoing fire service reviews, the current 10 minute target time for fire engines to respond to dwelling fires is expanded to include historic buildings, office buildings, industrial sites, schools, hospitals and other public buildings.

- Other Incident types such as Flooding, water rescue, rescue from Height and Incidents involving Hazardous materials are all included within the Cheshire 10 minute standard.
- That the Cheshire Fire and Rescue 10 minute standard is inclusive of the call handling time – as advised by the home office, formerly department for communities and local government.
- That the Fire Authority considers passing their own Climate Change Emergency motion

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