

HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report To: Cabinet
6 June 2017

Subject: HAMBLETON LEISURE CENTRE PROJECT – SPORT ENGLAND FUNDING

All Wards
Portfolio Holder for Leisure: Councillor Mrs B S Fortune

1.0 PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND:

- 1.1 To obtain Cabinet's approval to enter a funding agreement with Sport England in support of the Hambleton Leisure Centre (HLC) project. Such an agreement is normal practice with this scale of external funding. The value of this fund is £213,000, and before this funding can be released, the Council must meet the conditions set out in the Lottery Fund Agreement, including the following extract below:

The Applicant supplying Sport England with copies of resolutions or minutes (certified by an authorised officer) passed at a duly convened meeting of the Applicant's [councillors], in each case approving the entering into and execution of this Deed

2.0 LINK TO COUNCIL PRIORITIES:

- 2.1 The delivery of the project will improve the health and wellbeing of our people by providing and supporting community inclusive facilities, activities and interventions. The project will achieve:
- Increased physical activity participation rates & therefore improve health
 - Reduction in health threatening conditions
 - Improved health and wellbeing through community events, initiatives, programmes & activities
 - Increased child safety through learning to swim
 - Improved community cohesion and quality of life

3.0 RISK ASSESSMENT:

- 3.1 There are no significant risk in approving the recommendation.
- 3.2 The key risk is in not approving the recommendation as shown below:-

Risk	Implication	Prob*	Imp*	Total	Preventative action
Lack of funding to complete the full scope of works	Reduced quality and scope of planned improvements would affect customer satisfaction and income	3	4	12	Approval of the external funding agreement

Prob = Probability, Imp = Impact, Score range is Low = 1, High = 5

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 4.1 The Sport England funding is accounted for in the budget approved by the Council for the Hambleton Leisure Centre Project (19 July 2016 – Minute C.7).

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1 HDC Legal Officers have read through the Sport England Lottery Funding Agreement and are satisfied with all of the conditions set out in the document following liaison with Sport England's Legal Team.

6.0 EQUALITY/DIVERSITY ISSUES:

- 6.1 The provision of the grant will assist the Council in providing an accessible service to all members of the community from the improved leisure centre. Such equality of access is a requirement of the Sport England agreement.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION:

- 7.1 That Cabinet approves the Sport England grant (£213,000) and the conditions set out in the Lottery Fund Agreement.

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Background papers: Sport England Lottery Fund Agreement

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