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#### **NOTIFICATION OF PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION**

On 16 July 2009, Cllr Mrs D M Brooks, the Leisure, Culture and Youth Matters Portfolio Holder and Cllr C Wise, the Finance and Efficiency Portfolio Holder made the following decision. Any member of the Council, who is not a Portfolio Holder, who considers that this decision should be reviewed should give notice to the Monitoring Officer (Grainne O'Rourke) (in writing or by e-mail) to be received **ON OR BY 5.15PM on MONDAY, 27 JULY 2009.**

Details of the documents the Portfolio Holder considered are attached.

#### **DECISION:**

Allocation of funds towards the integration of 816 (youth) gym.

#### **REASON(S):**

As per report.

#### **ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED:**

As per report.

#### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED:**

None.

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## LEISURE, CULTURE & YOUTH MATTERS PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION

### **ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TOWARDS THE INTEGRATION OF 816 (YOUTH) GYM**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The youth gym at Applemore (named 816 as designed for 8 to 16 year olds) was created in 2005 and although the concept has been very well received, financially it is not as efficient as a 'stand alone' option because the staffing costs are exceeding the income. However in terms of contributing to the Councils objectives it is a valuable part of the programme

816 at Applemore was the first young persons' gym in the Forest and was something of a pilot. Recent projects like the one at Ringwood have highlighted that there are service and financial benefits from integrating the 816 gym into the main gym and investing in more flexible equipment like the Technogym Easiline range, rather than in a range of equipment designed exclusively for young people (Shokk).

#### **PROPOSAL**

The proposal is to replace the existing Shokk equipment with the Technogym Easiline range and move the 816 gym into the existing free weights area in the main gym, then move the free weights equipment to the existing 816 gym. To overcome any customer resistance we would create a glass partition between the new 816 area and main gym and open up the existing 816 gym for better visibility. This would allow a significant cut in instructor hours and would attract new members and subsequently generate additional income. An added bonus of the Easiline range is that the main gym has reached capacity with the current configuration and the addition of the Easiline range would give us the opportunity to offer circuit based sessions for ladies only and over 50's as well as young people.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The following table summarises the current financial situation and the revised one if the scheme were to be agreed;

##### REVENUE

<b>Current Situation</b>	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>	<b>2012/13</b>
Employees	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000
Income	-18,000	-18,000	-18,000	-18,000
Equipment Depreciation (old)	1,900	1,700	1,500	750
	<b>2,900</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>2,500</b>	<b>1,750</b>
<b>Revised Situation</b>	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>	<b>2012/13</b>
Employees	13,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Income	-19,500	-21,000	-21,000	-21,000
Equipment Depreciation (old)	5,850			
Resale of old equipment	-1,500			
Equipment Depreciation (new)	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
	<b>-1,150</b>	<b>-12,000</b>	<b>-12,000</b>	<b>-12,000</b>
<b>Annual Saving (-)/ Increase;</b>	<b>-4,050</b>	<b>-14,700</b>	<b>-14,500</b>	<b>-13,750</b>

##### CAPITAL

<b>Current Situation</b>	<b>2009/10</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>	<b>2012/13</b>
Equipment budget (old)		2,200		10,500
Installation / Works budget				7,200
New Milton Capital budget	5,000			
	<b>5,000</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17,700</b>

Revised Situation	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
Equipment budget (old)				
6 year equipment budget	12,000			
Installation / Works budget				
Applemore Alterations budget	5,000			
	<u>17,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Annual Saving (-)/ Increase;</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>-2,200</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-17,700</b>

The eventual effect will be a revenue saving to the service of £13,750 per annum, with £14,700 being realised in 2010/11. This saving will be included in the Leisure Review currently being drafted. It is anticipated that the one-off capital equipment requirement of £12,000 in 2009/10 will be found within the existing capital budgets through means of rephasings during the year and the pooling together of various under spends. There will also be reductions to the current planned budgets in 2010/11 and 2012/13 as the existing budgets for the replacement Shokk equipment will no longer be required. A budget transfer can take place from a redundant capital scheme at New Milton to pay for the associated works and fees related to the scheme. The new equipment will be depreciated over 6 years.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the scheme to move the 816 gym into the main gym and the associated works be approved
- The financial implications be noted, including revenue savings in 2009/10 onwards, various rephasings and under spends to be used to finance the £12,000 equipment budget in 2009/10 for the new Easiline range and a budget transfer of £5,000 from New Milton to Applemore

SIGNED:

CLLR D BROOKS

**Cllr Mrs Di Brooks**  
**Portfolio Holder Leisure, Culture & Youth Matters**

DATE: *16 July* 2009

SIGNED:

CLLR C WISE

**Cllr Colin Wise**  
**Portfolio Holder Finance & Efficiency**

DATE: *16<sup>th</sup> July* 2009

Date on which Notice given of this Decision: 20 July 2009  
Last date for call-in: 27 July 2009