

## WARWICK DISTRICT COUNCIL

**TO :** LEISURE COMMITTEE - 11TH JANUARY 2000

**SUBJECT :** MONITORING OF THE SPORTS & LEISURE CONTRACT

**FROM :** HEAD OF LEISURE AND AMENITIES

### **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to bring Members' attention to the contract monitoring and performance levels of the Sports & Leisure Contract.

### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Compulsory Competitive Tendering (CCT) was introduced in 1992 and the in-house bid won the first contract for a six year period from that date and subsequently a second term of six years which commenced on 1st January 1998.

### **3. CURRENT SITUATION**

- 3.1 The centres continue, in general, to operate a high standard and offer a varied programme which is extremely good value for money.

### **4. ACTIVITIES**

- 4.1 The centres have operated a series of Wet n' Wild Swim Discos at all of the pools. Attendance figures have been encouraging for this first venture.
- 4.2 St Nicholas Park Leisure Centre recently acquired a new dinosaur inflatable. Regular sessions have been running on Saturday afternoons between 2.00p.m. and 3.00pm. Attendance figures are steadily increasing.
- 4.3 Following the successful disabled activity day at St Nicholas Park Leisure Centre, the regular Thursday session continues to maintain healthy numbers of between 18 and 25 each week.
- 4.4 Newbold Comyn Leisure Centre is looking to relaunch the Bronze Medallion Scheme.

### **5. BUILDING ISSUES**

- 5.1 Refurbishments at Abbey Fields Swimming Pool, as reported at September's Committee, were, in the main, completed before the Christmas period, but final completion is anticipated for mid-January, 2000.

- 5.2 Work on St Nicholas Park Leisure Centre pool hall ceiling took place during December/January. The work included repainting of the main pool ceiling and the installation of a suspended ceiling over the splash pool area. The pool was closed between 13th and 27th December, but re-opened on schedule.
- 5.3 St Nicholas Park and Castle Farm Pyramids Gyms also received a face lift during the Christmas period. Both were closed for limited periods to allow the gyms to be recarpeted and repainted in the Pyramids' corporate image.
- 5.4 The climbing wall at St Nicholas Park Leisure Centre has recently been completed and is receiving consistent appreciative usage from the climbing club.

## **6. MONITORING**

- 6.1 Regular monitoring of the facilities is undertaken by the Client and any issues raised are rectified with the contractor as soon as possible.
- 6.2 Recent reports have identified various complaints being received about the standard of cleaning at Newbold Comyn Leisure Centre. The centre manager and client are still working on implementing the appropriate action, to ensure an acceptable standard is maintained.

## **7. KEY ISSUES**

- 7.1 A number of Key Issues are addressed including CO5, ED5, EQ1 and JW3.

## **8 CONCLUSION**

- 8.1 The centres continue to operate to a high standard offering good quality service to their customers.

## **9. ACTION REQUIRED**

- 9.1 Members are asked to note the report.

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Background papers : Nil

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Areas in district affected : all