

**NEW DISTRICT LEISURE CENTRE – APPOINTMENT OF AN OPERATOR**

Committee: Council

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1.0 ISSUE

1.1 To appoint an operator to manage the New District Leisure Centre.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

2.1 Members are requested to appoint the operator identified at Appendix 1 (EXEMPT) to manage the New District Leisure Centre, subject to contractual agreement and Council agreeing the project funding strategy as set out in Agenda Item 8.

3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 The tender process for the East Cambridgeshire District Leisure Centre Management Contract commenced on 10th March 2016 with the issue of a Contract Notice in the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU) and was managed by The Sports Consultancy on behalf of the Council.

3.2 Four tenders were received and evaluated by The Sports Consultancy and Officers of the Council.

3.3 The management contract is being procured separate to, but in parallel with, the build contract. The two are inextricably linked as the availability of funding to finance the construction of the New District Leisure Centre is dependent on the Council achieving a minimum average annual payment from the management operator.

3.4 The length of the contract is 12 years with an optional extension of up to 5 years.

4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

4.1 Appendix 1 (EXEMPT) contains the tender scoring matrix. The recommended operator provided the most economically advantageous tender when evaluated against such factors as quality, service delivery, innovation and customer service, as well as the level of average management fee payable to the Council.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

5.1 The financial implications arising from this report are set out in Agenda Item 8.

5.2 Equality Impact Assessment (INRA) not required.

6.0 APPENDICES

6.1 Appendix 1 (EXEMPT) – East Cambridgeshire Leisure Management procurement Evaluation Summary Report.

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**Background Documents**

None

**Location**

Room 12, The  
Grange, Ely

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