

Overview and Scrutiny – Executive Member Bi-Annual Update.

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<p>Services and legal responsibilities covered by Executive Member remit:</p>	<p>The service areas include the management and operation of the Council owned leisure facilities, namely the Newton Abbot Leisure Centre, Broadmeadow Sports Centre (Teignmouth), and the Dawlish Leisure Centre. The Teignmouth Lido is also managed through the Teignbridge Leisure team.</p> <p>The wider infrastructure of leisure provision, including council owned or through working with partners, is part of our management consideration as we aim to support active wellbeing within our communities, including how s106 funds can be used effectively.</p> <p>Leisure is preparing the updated Leisure Strategy, themed as an ‘Active Wellbeing’ Strategy, to inform how the Council should be supporting residents to live well, reducing inactivity and unequal access to opportunities to maintain and promote health.</p> <p>The Resorts service area have responsibility for the Teignmouth and Dawlish Warren beach cleansing, beach hut letting and management, dinghy and kayak rack hires, and the management of Shaldon Golf.</p>
<p>Strategic Plan objectives</p>	<p>IN.7. Develop an understanding of current and future health and wellbeing and playing pitch needs in the district.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commission a Playing Pitch Needs Assessment• Develop and implement an Active Wellbeing Strategy• Collaborate with partners to guide priority actions and delivery of the strategy <p>IN.8. Facilitate improvements to our leisure centres.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete the refurbishment of Dawlish Leisure Centre• Investigate opportunities for a new Health and Wellbeing Centre in Newton Abbot which includes leisure facilities (reported on further

	through Economy EC.2. Work in partnership with Newton Abbot Town Council to prepare a masterplan for Newton Abbot town centre)
Service Delivery updates (inc. budget monitoring, performance information, risks, customer feedback)	<p>Leisure</p> <p>Memberships are c.5900 and we are hoping to achieve over 6000 memberships as we progress through the early part of 2026.</p> <p>The Broadmeadow sports centre refurbishment project has been a particular success, with the site now supporting over 1000 memberships.</p> <p>As of November 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income was at £1,899,759 (up from £1,766,993 previous year to date) • Expenditure was at £2,019,843 (down from £2,054,342 previous year to date) • Net £120,084 deficit <p>To eliminate the deficit, the following work plans are progressing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing marketing campaigns to promote our services that enable residents to become or stay active • Options for the Teignmouth Lido (as per the One Teignbridge Action Plan - Economy EC.5. Deliver the asset disposal programme) • Service area restructuring • Dawlish leisure centre refurbishment proposal <p>The Active Wellbeing Strategy is underway, with key stakeholder engagement activities, and surveys now completed. The final survey response rates were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community survey: 1381 • Sports clubs and community groups: 26 responses • Employers: 9 responses • Schools: 4 responses <p>We're absolutely delighted with the level of engagement the community survey has generated. It demonstrates strong local enthusiasm for this Strategy work, as well as the broader interest in leisure and wellbeing in Teignbridge.</p> <p>The feasibility study assessing the potential of a new leisure centre is Newton Abbot is set to finalised in the coming months. The work will inform the masterplan work (as per the One Teignbridge Action Plan – Economy EC.2. Work in partnership with Newton Abbot town Council to prepare a masterplan for Newton Abbot town centre). Seemingly the Cattle Market and Bradley Lane sites present as options, but both sites will be considered</p>

	<p>alongside the feasibility work for housing that is set to be completed later in 2026 to consider in full context the best use of each site.</p> <p>The Playing Pitch Strategy has been commissioned, and project briefings and key stakeholder meetings are planned for January 2026.</p>
Upcoming decisions, how Overview and Scrutiny can support the delivery of the strategic plan or any other information relevant for the Overview and Scrutiny Forward Plan	<p>Active Wellbeing Strategy</p> <p>We are currently collating feedback from the stakeholder engagement activities and will soon organise a member workshop to formalise the strategy. The strategy would then come through the O & S committee, but dates are yet to be confirmed.</p>