

Executive 10 February 2026

Extract of Minutes

7. TEIGNMOUTH LIDO

Consideration was given to the agenda report which provided an update on the options appraisal of the Teignmouth Lido to determine whether it is possible to improve its financial viability, to review alternative uses and seek approval to dispose of the freehold interest. This followed from the Council decision in October 2024 to undertake an options appraisal for the Lido site to determine whether it is possible to improve its financial viability and to look at alternative uses.

The operating shortfall was some £74K which would need an additional income from 9487 paid adult swim sessions. Attendances to the Lido were 8224 (2023 / 2024 season) and 9267 (2024 / 2025 season). Operating costs cannot be reduced as this would risk inadequate running of the site and the safety of its customers.

In response to questions, it was noted that: to start an ACV (Asset of Community Value) process, the site is required to be declared surplus to Council requirements and the issuing of a notice of intention to dispose in accordance with the Localism Act; the ACV process allows an initial 6 months for community groups to bid before the site would be released on the open market.

It was proposed by Councillor Palethorpe that the 2 recommendations as set out in the agenda report be approved with a further recommendation 3. *The results of all bids be brought back to the September Executive meeting for consideration*, and that all three recommendations be voted on separately. This was seconded by Councillor Keeling.

The first recommendation was put to the vote and carried by 6 votes for and 2 against. Recommendations 2 and 3 were both carried unanimously.

RESOLVED

1. Not open the Teignmouth Lido site in 2026 and deliver a budget saving of £74k.
2. Declare the Teignmouth Lido asset surplus to Council requirements and dispose of the freehold interest, as described in the title plan at Appendix C, on the open market, without setting restrictions as to future use.
3. The results of all bids be brought back to the September Executive meeting for consideration.