

## **FUNDING COMMITTEE**

Meeting: 30 June 2021

At: 10.00 am

PRESENT

Councillor Roy Driver (Chair) in the chair; Councillors Mike Hurleston, Chris Gordon and John McGahan.

### **1. MINUTES**

The Minutes (copies of which had been circulated) of the meeting held on 28 April 2021 were approved as a correct record.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors and Officers were invited to declare any interests which they had in any of the agenda items for the meeting:

#### Personal Interest

#### Officer

Paul Richards, Director of Development and Regeneration	Agenda Item 7 'CIC Establishment and Governance Update and Item 8 'Life Leisure Funding Update' as an adviser to the Board of Life Leisure.
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### **3. URGENT DECISIONS**

No urgent decisions were reported.

### **4. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PUBLIC INTEREST TEST**

RESOLVED – That in order to prevent the disclosure of information which was not for publication relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Authority), the disclosure of which would not be fair and would be in breach of Data Protection Principles, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of Agenda Items 6, 7 & 8

### **5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No public questions were submitted.

### **6. POST REOPENING TRADING UPDATE**

The Chief Executive of Life Leisure updated the Committee on Post Reopening Trading.

The following comments were made/issues raised:

- Members enquired about what happens to the Membership of those who wished to return to leisure centres but were wanting to wait a little longer to ensure that they minimised risk. In response, Members were advised that Membership tended to be frozen for a three-month period. Life Leisure were working hard to encourage people to return and show that leisure centres are a safe environment.
- In response to a Member question about levels of activity, Members were advised that activity was in line with the industry standard and that a two-year recovery plan was in place.
- A short discussion took place relating to swimming lessons as these formed a big part of leisure centre income. There was a long waiting list and whilst currently working on a reduced capacity, income should be back to pre covid levels quite quickly.
- Life Leisure were confident that they were ready for the likely increase in demand for facilities following the national and international sporting events that were taking place over the summer, including the Olympics.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

## **7. CIC ESTABLISHMENT UPDATE**

A representative of the Corporate Director (Place) and Deputy Chief Executive presented a verbal report which provided an update on the establishment of Stockport Active Community Interest Company (C.I.C) and progress towards transitioning leisure and active communities services into the new organisation.

The following comments were made/issues raised:

- It was clarified that new banking arrangements needed to be set up, but everything else was in place.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

## **8. CIC GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS**

A representative of the Corporate Director (Place) and Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report (copies of which had been circulated) which provided Funding Committee Members with an outline of the governance arrangements for Stockport Active CIC.

RESOLVED – (i) That the report be noted.

(ii) That no further dates for Funding Committee would be arranged at the current time.

The meeting closed at 10.40 am