

WRITTEN STATEMENT OF A KEY DECISION CABINET

ITEM:	FUNDING FOR LADY HAWKINS' AND WIGMORE LEISURE CENTRES
Members Present:	Councillors: AW Johnson (Leader), H Bramer, J Millar, PM Morgan (Deputy Leader), GJ Powell, PD Price.
Date of Decision:	23 January 2014
Exempt:	No
Confidential	No
This is a key decision because It is likely to result in the Council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function concerned. A threshold of £500,000 is regarded as significant.	
A notice was served in accordance with Part 3, Section 9 (Publicity in connection with key decisions) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.	
Urgency/Special Urgency: (As defined in Constitution)	No
Purpose:	To consider the funding for Lady Hawkins' Community Leisure Centre and Wigmore Leisure Centre.
Decision:	THAT: (a) authority be delegated to the Director for Economy, Communities and Corporate, in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer, to pursue negotiations to implement the asset transfer of the Lady Hawkins Community Leisure Centre by September 2014; and (b) the funding for Wigmore Leisure Centre be reduced to £15,000 pa from 2014-15.
Reasons for the Decision:	To make budget savings to support the corporate financial strategy and enable council resources to be focused on priority services.
Options Considered:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An alternative option would be for both leisure centres to close to the public. 2. In the instance of Lady Hawkins' Community Leisure Centre the facility could be handed to Lady Hawkins' School to run and which could include some public access. 3. An alternative option would be to continue support at existing funding levels. This would require commensurate

	savings to be made in other budget areas and not be consistent with other changes to council funding of leisure provision within the county.
Conflict of Interest ■ (See below):	
Date the key decision is due to take effect:	29 January 2014

<p>COUNCILLOR AW JOHNSONDate: 23 January 2014 LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</p>
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- a record of any conflict of interest declared by any executive member who is consulted by the member which relates to the decision;

And

- in respect of any declared conflict of interest, a note of dispensation granted by the relevant local authority's head of paid service.