

Report of Director of City Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Adults, Health and Healthy Lifestyles)

Date: 24th November 2020

Subject: Active Leeds Update

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| Are specific electoral wards affected? If yes, name(s) of ward(s): | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Has consultation been carried out? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
| Will the decision be open for call-in? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
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Summary

1. Main issues

- The report seeks to act as an introductory paper for a presentation which will be delivered to the Board which will set out the broad work that is being carried out by the Active Leeds Service to promote healthy and active lifestyles across the city.

2. Best Council Plan Implications (click [here](#) for the latest version of the Best Council Plan)

- Active Leeds activity in this area has a significant and direct link to the Best Council Plan's ambition of 'Supporting healthy, physically active lifestyles'.

3. Resource Implications

- This report detailing current and planned activity to date has no specific resource implications, all activity will be/has been delivered within existing resources.

Recommendations

- a) The Scrutiny Board is asked to note the presentation and comment upon current and future planned activity.

1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 This report seeks to act as a short introductory paper for a presentation which will be delivered to the Board which will set out the broad work that is being carried out by the Active Leeds Service to promote healthy and active lifestyles across the city.

2. Background information

- 2.1 Active Leeds delivers a range of service and programmes which have a direct impact on the wellbeing of the citizens of Leeds and the surrounding area. The activity ranges from the operation of a number of general purpose leisure facilities (gyms, swimming pools etc.), specialised facilities (tennis, bowls etc.) and a number of programmes of activity, many delivered and focussed at a community level. The overriding aim of all activity is to increase the level of physical activity amongst the population of Leeds in order to help deliver the health and well-being benefits associated with increased physical activity.

3. Main issues

- 3.1 A full presentation on the range of activity currently undertaken and planned will be presented to the Scrutiny Board at its meeting. There will be an opportunity for the Board to comment upon the activity and the Board's observations will be used to help shape the future activity.

4. Corporate considerations

4.1 Consultation and engagement

- 4.1.1 The work undertaken by the Service is informed by dialogue with a range of stakeholders including national organisation such as Sport England, UKActive, and National Governing Bodies for Sport (British Diving, British Swimming, Swim England, England Athletics, Netball England, British Triathlon, Lawn Tennis Association/Yorkshire Tennis Association etc), to local organisations such as Yorkshire Sport Foundation and Sport Leeds. Along with lots of other partners from the universities, colleges, schools to local sport clubs and health partners. Public health, other services in the council such as planning, highways, skills and employment, housing and many more including elected members are key in driving the direction of travel and support for the service.

4.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

- 4.2.1 A number of the activities highlighted in the presentation may have the potential to give rise to equality implications, including positive outcomes. All activity undertaken have been taken cognisant of the Council's agreed approach to Equalities and the need to consider the duty to promote community cohesion.

4.3 Council policies and the Best Council Plan

- 4.3.1 The Active Leeds activity in this area has a significant and direct link to the Best Council Plan's ambition of 'Supporting healthy, physically active lifestyles'.

Climate Emergency

4.3.2 The work by Active Leeds has the potential to aid the Council's stated aims around responding to the Climate Emergency by means of encouraging modal shift from vehicles to physical activity (cycling, running, walking etc.).

4.4 Resources, procurement and value for money

4.4.1 There are no implications arising as all activity is funded through existing budgets.

4.5 Legal implications, access to information, and call-in

4.5.1 No implications.

4.6 Risk management

4.6.1 There are no obvious risk management implications.

5. Conclusions

5.1 Active Leeds has a significant and direct ability to deliver on the Council's Best Council Plan's ambition of 'Supporting healthy, physically active lifestyles'. The work of the Service as highlighted in the presentation is a vital element in moving forward this ambition.

6. Recommendations

6.1 Scrutiny Board is asked note the presentation and comment upon current and future planned activity to support the Council's Best Council Plan's ambition of 'Supporting healthy, physically active lifestyles'.

7. Background documents¹

7.1 None

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.