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Overview and Scrutiny Committee Reporting Form for Recommendations to Cabinet

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Scrutiny Committee :	Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee
Date of Meeting :	18 December 2014
Subject / Report Title :	Scrutiny Project Group Report on Sports Facilities Strategy
Executive Responsibility :	Executive Member for Leisure, Culture and Tourism
Report by :	Scrutiny Project Group Lead Member, Councillor Jenny Flood
Recommendation of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee for Cabinet consideration: That the Draft Sports Facilities Strategy be supported subject to the inclusion of the findings of the Scrutiny Project Group regarding : <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Priorities regarding facilities being community focused and aiming for positive health impacts, in particular for those with mental health issues and the elderly at risk of being isolated; and▪ Reference to accessibility – physical access to comply with Sport England access standards and encouraging participation through community based delivery.	
Supporting Information : Scrutiny Project Group report to Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee: As part of its overall brief the Scrutiny Project Group on Leisure, Sport and Culture Activities received a presentation on the development of the Sports Facilities Strategy at a meeting on 25 November 2014. The presentation included details of the supply of, and needs assessment for, indoor facilities (Sports Halls, swimming pools) and artificial grass pitches across the borough – at Council facilities, schools, community halls and other facilities.	

It was noted that the Strategy would support the Sport England Strategic Facilities Funding for the new Leisure Centre and that it would need to be adopted by the Council by the end of January 2015, in order to comply with Sport England funding requirements.

The Scrutiny Project Group emphasised the need for the Strategy to include :

- Priorities regarding facilities being community focused and aiming for positive health impacts, in particular for those with mental health issues and the elderly at risk of being isolated; and
- Reference to accessibility – physical access to comply with Sport England access standards and encouraging participation through community based delivery.

And recommended to the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee that the Sports Facilities Strategy, incorporating the above points, be supported.

(Minute not yet available).

Cabinet Response Timetable :	To consider and respond to the recommendation of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee within 2 months.
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Date signed-off:	18.12.14
Signed-off by :	Councillor Andy Slack Chair of Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee
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