





RECORD OF OFFICER DELEGATED DECISIONS

TITLE:	Boston Amateur Swimming Club – Fee Reduction		
DECISION:	To reduce the hire fee from circa £2,600 per month to £1,000 per month for a 6-month period. After which the price of hire will be the same as is detailed in the Service Level Agreement.		
DECISION MADE BY:	Assistant Director Leisure & Culture - Phil Perry		
DATE DECISION MADE:	22/07/24		
REASON FOR DECISION:	<p>The Boston Amateur Swimming Club has in place a newly formed management committee that has needed to revise club strategy and delivery protocols based on recommendations by Swim England.</p> <p>Without a reduction in fees, Boston Amateur Swimming Club would cease to exist from September 2024, due to its precarious financial position, with no reserves available for it to draw on.</p> <p>Should the Swimming Club fold, the financial implication on Boston Borough Council would, based on the 24/25 & 25/26 LOBTA position, equate to £23k - £34k respectively.</p> <p>The reduction in fee would give the new Boston Amateur Swimming Club management committee the time it requires to train up more staff to enable the club to market the swimming club effectively, giving the club the capacity to support its growth without a significant financial burden for a 6-month period.</p>		
DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:	No other options are considered viable currently		
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION:	<p>ESTIMATED COST: Circa £7,500</p> <p>FUNDED FROM: The cost-plus contractual model that Lex Leisure is operating at the GMLC site. This will therefore be absorbed within the income excess that Lex Leisure is currently generating.</p> <p>Should Lex Leisure not generate income higher than expenditure, there is a risk that the council would need to cover a proportion of the cost.</p>		
AUTHORITY FOR DECISION:	Officer Scheme of Delegation contained within the Constitution		
CONSULTATION WITH PORTFOLIO HOLDER REQUIRED:	YES	PORTFOLIO HOLDER SIGNATURE: (If consulted)	

SUPPORTING PAPERS:	Not Applicable	
OFFICER/COUNCILLOR INTERESTS DECLARED:	None	
CONTACT PERSON:	Scott Higgins	Telephone number: 07776 667531
SIGNATURE		Date: 15.08.24

Notes: When the decision has been made the relevant officer should complete the report within 14 days and send it to Democratic Services for publication on the Council's website in accordance with the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014.