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TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

CABINET: RECORD OF DECISIONS

Please find attached the Record of Decisions of the Special Cabinet meeting held on Thursday, 6 February 2025.

The Chairman of the Council has agreed to suspend call-in due to the urgency of implementing this decision which will benefit the local community and resolve issues around the continuation of services. New proposals have recently come forward to continue some services at the Tides Sports Hall and Indoor Tennis Centre after the closure of the pool and gym on 1 April 2025. The end of the current operating lease agreement is fast approaching and a final decision is needed in order to address matters promptly.

Yours sincerely

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Kate Batty-Smith
Democratic Services Officer

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Record of the decisions of the Special meeting of the **CABINET** held at the Council Offices, Whitfield on Thursday, 6 February 2025 at 6.00 pm

Present:

Chairman: Councillor K Mills

Councillors: J L Pout
E A Biggs
S B Blair
P M Brivio
C D Zosseder

Also Present: Councillor T J Bartlett
Councillor S H Beer
Councillor D R Friend
Councillor C A Vinson

Officers: Chief Executive
Director of Housing, Finance and Assets
Head of Licensing and Legal Services
Head of Place and Growth
Strategic Project Manager
Project Manager
Communications Officer (Content)
Democratic Services Officer

The formal decisions of the executive are detailed in the following schedule.

Record of Decisions: Executive Functions

Decision Status	Record of Decision	Alternative options considered and rejected (if any)	Reasons for Decision	Conflicts of interest (if any) declared by decision maker(s) or consultees (if any)
CAB 89 6.2.25 Open Key Decisions No Call-in to apply Yes Implementation Date 14 February 2025	<u>APOLOGIES</u> It was noted that there were no apologies for absence.	None.	To note any apologies for absence.	

Decision Status	Record of Decision	Alternative options considered and rejected (if any)	Reasons for Decision	Conflicts of interest (if any) declared by decision maker(s) or consultees (if any)
CAB 90 6.2.25 Open Key Decisions No Call-in to apply Yes Implementation Date	<u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u> There were no declarations of interest.	None.	To note any declarations of interest.	

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<p>CAB 91 6.2.25 Open</p> <p>Key Decisions Yes</p> <p>Call-in to apply No</p> <p>Implementation Date 7 February 2025</p>	<p><u>TIDES LEISURE CENTRE - REVIEW OF INTERIM OPERATING ARRANGEMENTS</u></p> <p>It was agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That the appointment of an interim operator, Your Leisure, for the Tides Sports Hall and Indoor Tennis Centre from 1 April to 31 March 2026 be approved. (b) That the draft proposals, as set out in Appendix 2 (Heads of Terms) to the report, be approved. (c) That the implementation of a competitive tendering process to appoint a new operator for the new Deal Leisure Centre, commencing operations from 1 April 2026, be approved. (d) That the Director of Environment and Place be authorised, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community and Corporate Property, to take all necessary decisions and actions required to deliver recommendations (a), (b) and (c). (e) That, in the opinion of Cabinet, the matter is urgent and the Chairman of the Council is therefore requested to suspend call-in for the reasons set out in paragraph 3.3 of the report. 	<p>The alternative options set out in the report and Restricted appendix.</p>	<p>A number of options for operating dry-side facilities at the Tides Leisure Centre after the closure of the pool and gym from 1 April 2025 were presented to Cabinet on 13 January 2025. Cabinet considered that none of the options presented were acceptable, other than closing the facility for nine months.</p> <p>Following the submission of a revised and more competitive proposal from Your Leisure since 13 January, and a new proposal from an alternative operator having now been</p>	

			<p>scrutinised since its submission at the beginning of January, Cabinet is requested to review the revised options for interim operations at Tides until a new long-term operator takes over in April 2026.</p> <p>The Chairman of the Council has agreed to suspend call-in for the reasons set out in paragraph 3.3 of the report.</p>	
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<p>CAB 92 6.2.25 Open</p> <p>Key Decisions No</p> <p>Call-in to apply Yes</p> <p>Implementation</p>	<p><u>EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</u></p> <p>That, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000, the press and the public be excluded during consideration of the Restricted appendices connected with Agenda Item 3 (Tides Leisure Centre – Review of Interim Operating Arrangements) on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.</p>	None.		

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CAB 93 6.2.25 Open Key Decisions No Call-in to apply Yes Implementation Date Immediate	<u>READMITTANCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC</u> It was agreed that the press and public be readmitted to the meeting.	None.		

The meeting ended at 6.31 pm