

Overview of Responses and Recommendations

Budget Proposals 16/17: Kintbury Jubilee Leisure Centre		Jim Sweeting -Sport and Leisure Manager	19 January 2016 Version 2 (Exec)
Proposal:	To cease the grant paid to Kintbury Parish Council towards the cost of the operation of the Jubilee Centre		
Total budget 15/16:	£9,000	Recommended officer saving 16/17:	£9,000 (100%)
Initial proposed saving 16/17:	£9,000 (100%)	Final recommendation to Executive 16/17:	To proceed with this savings proposal, without any modifications.
Nos of responses:	Eight in total, three from Town / Parish Councils, two from the ladies Badminton Club and three from individuals. One response was received after the closure of the consultation period on behalf of the Primary School in the village.		
Key issues raised:	<p>Concern that the proposal would lead to the closure of the centre, which along with other proposals would disadvantage those people with transport issues from accessing a leisure facility.</p> <p>Suggestion that the centre could be run by volunteers (one respondent), the Parish Council are considering options for the continuation of the centre.</p>		
Equality issues:	None were drawn out from the responses that related to the strands in the Equality legislation. Respondents did highlight that those with transport issues could be disadvantaged.		
Suggestions for reducing the impact on service users:	Suggestion	Council response	
	Use of Volunteers to run service.	As the proposal is only in terms of the payment of a grant any decision about the future of the centre would be for the Trustees of the Gladstone Memorial Trust to determine.	
Alternative options for applying the saving in this area:	Suggestion	Council response	
	None		
Suggestions for how others may help contribute:	The Parish Council outlined that it currently provides £15,000 per annum to the centre and did not envisage that it would be possible to increase this significantly to offset the loss of grant from West Berkshire Council.		
Officer conclusion as a result of the responses:	<p>The exercise has not highlighted any impact that was not already anticipated. Respondents highlighted strong use by local people however data from the centre would indicate this is not the case.</p> <p>One respondent did highlight that the data would not pick up people who were members of clubs but then indicated that the club they were a member of provided activity for just 6 to 7 people from the village per week.</p>		

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	It should be noted that the grant was only through to June 2017 so the proposal brings forward the ending of the grant by one year.		
Officer recommendation as a result of responses:	Feedback has not uncovered any further issues which would prevent the council from proceeding with this proposal.		

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