Arts, Leisure and Culture Select Committee

Review of River Based Leisure Facilities

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 4 March 2008

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

At a meeting on 13 February the Committee heard evidence from Jack Goodfellow (Sports Development Service Manager) in relation to schools use of the facilities on the river and representatives of Four Seasons White Water Course/British Canoe Union, Tees Valley Rivers and Fisheries Associations, and also Castlegate Marine Club. The Committee also received an update from Neil Schneider in relation to the issue of the Kellington.

At a meeting on 28 February, the Committee heard an update from Graham Clingan (Countryside and Greenspace) on the River Tees park project. At the same meeting, the Committee received evidence from Carol Straughan in relation to issues surrounding quality of development near to the river, land use and ensuring access to the river is maintained and improved.

Timescale for Review

A meeting has been arranged for 5 March to discuss possible recommendations, and also a meeting on 26 March to agree the final report.

The review remains on schedule and is due to report to Cabinet at the first meeting of the next municipal year.

Monitoring

The Committee has no upcoming monitoring reports.