Arts, Leisure and Culture Select Committee (ALCS)

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 23 December 2008

Review of Tees Active

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

At a meeting on 19 November, the Committee received evidence from Steve Chaytor (Managing Director) and Gordon Bates (Chair of Tees Active Board). The Committee received copies of the new TAL Business Plan and was updated on the current re-developments of TAL managed leisure centres.

Timescale for Review

The Committee wish to take account of the results of the Tees Active staff survey during the timescale of the review. The results of this are now scheduled to be available in February. Therefore the review will be extended until March in order to accommodate these. The final report can then be submitted to Cabinet in April.

The Committee will also be taking into account the results of benchmarking against similar arrangements in the region, in relation to leisure centre management. The results of this will be considered at the meeting on 21 January.

Monitoring

At the meeting on 8 December, the Committee received the initial Progress Report in relation to the implementation of the River Based Leisure Facilities review. The Committee will receive Progress Updates on the Preston Hall and Park, and Festivals reviews, at the meeting on 21 January.