



Portfolio Holder Report

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Report of:	Portfolio Holder	Date of publication
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Garstang Pool – Procurement of essential equipment

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 To note the procurement of essential replacement equipment for Garstang Swimming Pool and to seek approval for an exemption from the contract procedures and agree that it be funded by the Leisure Management Reserve.

2. Outcomes

- 2.1 Leisure facilities that will both attract and retain new and existing customers by improving the quality of the customer experience and customer satisfaction.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the following repair be financed by the Leisure Management Reserve:

New hoist at Garstang Swimming Pool – £5,790.

- 3.2 That approval is given by the Resources Portfolio Holder to fund the above essential equipment needed by the swimming pool out of the Leisure Management Reserve. That the approval falls under the exemptions to contract procedures, contained within the Financial Regulations and Financial Procedure Rules on the grounds that:

- the goods, works or services are of a specialised nature carried out by only one or a limited number of firms with no reasonably satisfactory alternatives available.

4. Background

- 4.1** The Council is working closely with Fylde Coast YMCA with the aim of reducing the operational subsidy. It is vital that we are able to support Fylde Coast YMCA to maintain their operations in order to maximise usage and income.

5. Key issues and proposals

- 5.1** To ensure that we cater for people with disabilities and that our activity offer is inclusive, we need to replace the swimming pool hoist at Garstang Pool. The hoist enables people with disabilities to be able to access swimming safely by getting them in and out of the water. The existing hoist has been in use for some time and isn't able to be repaired and as such a replacement is required.
- 5.2** In the case of the Garstang Pool hoist replacement, Fylde Coast YMCA checked for suppliers of the particular hoist and were provided with the names of a limited number of franchised suppliers in the North West. A like for like replacement of the pool hoist has been chosen to utilise pre-drilled fittings.
- 5.3** Without this urgent replacement service quality will be reduced and the swimming pool will be unable to perform to its maximum capacity which could directly impact on income levels and may make it challenging for Fylde Coast YMCA to meet subsidy reduction targets.

6. Delegated functions

- 6.1** The matters referred to in this report are considered under the following Executive Function delegated to the Leisure and Culture Portfolio Holder (as set out in Part 3.03 of the Council's Constitution): "To consider matters relating to sport and recreation including sports facilities (apart from playing fields), swimming centres, riverside and marine facilities for leisure pursuits and other leisure and cultural services."
- 6.2** The matters referred to in this report are considered under the following Executive Function delegated to the Resources Portfolio Holder (as set out in Part 3.03 of the Council's Constitution): "To consider departures from the Rules relating to financial and contractual matters if appropriate".

Financial and legal implications	
Finance	<p>The total cost of the hoist is estimated at £5,790 (excluding VAT) and can be met from the Leisure Management Reserve.</p> <p>The ongoing maintenance of the equipment will be contained within operational budgets.</p>
Legal	The procurement complies with the Council's Financial Regulations and Financial Procedure Rules on Contract Procedures.

Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a ✓ below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

risks/implications	✓ / x
community safety	x
equality and diversity	✓
sustainability	x
health and safety	✓

risks/implications	✓ / x
asset management	✓
climate change	x
ICT	x
data protection	x

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List of background papers:		
name of document	date	where available for inspection
None		

List of appendices

None

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