

Belfast City Council

Report to: Development Committee

Subject: Ballymacarrett Recreation Centre: agreed action

Date: 16 March 2011

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1	Relevant Background Information
1.1	The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an update of the actions that have been taken following the January 2011 Committee meeting with regard to
	 monitoring and financial control and follow-up of probity issues.

2.1 1. Monitoring and Financial Control The following actions have been agreed and Connswater Community and Leisure Services Limited (CCLS) are being supported to implement: - CCLS to produce a proposed programme of activities - Each element of the programme will be itemised and costed - BCC will release funds on a monthly basis based on a schedule of expected transactions - There will be a 100% review of actual invoices / expenditure at month end by BCC officers. This has to be completed to the Council's satisfaction before further funds are released - This process will be reviewed in line with committee decision.

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2.2 2. Probity Issues

Members will recall that concerns have been raised regarding certain historical transactions at CCLS. Community Services and Audit, Governance and Risk Services (AGRS) are in the process of compiling relevant information for the Legal Services Manager who will liaise, as required, with the appropriate authorities in relation to the further investigation of any of these issues. This work in ongoing.

2.3 Officers have agreed a training and development plan with the Board and are working, with support from the East Belfast Community Development Agency, to implement.

3	Resource Implications
3.1	All costs allocated to CCLS funding cost centre and are within revenue estimates.

4	Equality Implications
4.1	There are no equality or good relations considerations attached to this report.

5	Recommendations
5.1	Committee are asked to note the agreed process to manage the interim arrangements for Ballymacarrett Recreation Centre

6 Decision Tracking

Further to agreement John Nelson to implement committee decision.

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7 Key to Abbreviations

CCLS – Connswater Community and Leisure Services Limited

CDO - Community Development Officer

CSUM - Community Services Unit Manager

AGRS - Audit Governance and Risk Services

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