NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held in the Council Chamber, District Council Offices, Gernon Road, Letchworth Garden City, SG6 3JF on Tuesday, 6th May, 2025 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence from Members.

2 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be recorded.
- (2) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.
- (3) The Chair advised that for the purposes of clarification clause 4.8.23(a) of the Constitution does not apply to this meeting.
- (4) The Chair reminded Members of the adopted North Herts Scrutiny Charter and the need to ensure that the meeting was conducted with independence, initiative and integrity. The full Charter was available to Members via the Scrutiny Intranet pages.

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation at this meeting.

4 DECARBONISATION OF LEISURE CENTRES CONTRACT AWARD UPDATE

RESOLVED:

- (1) That Overview and Scrutiny noted the projected provisional increase in the capital budget to £16.166m.
- (2) That Overview and Scrutiny noted the current estimated one-off revenue impact of £900k in 2025/26 through loss of income, due to partial and full facility closures.

RECOMMENDED TO CABINET: That Overview and Scrutiny noted the report and provided comment to Cabinet on the report.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS: To enable Overview and Scrutiny the opportunity to scrutinise the progress to date of the leisure decarbonisation project, including spend to date and anticipated increases in capital budget expenditure, as well as loss of revenue implications, prior to the contract award decision being considered by Cabinet on 20 May 2025.