

**TITLE: The Hive: Progress Report**

Committee: Community Services Committee

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**1. ISSUE**

- 1.1. To report on the progress of the Hive.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1. Members are asked to note the contents of this report.

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1. The Hive has now been operating for almost ten months. The purpose of this report is to report on the progress of the centre, and to identify any issues emerging.

**4. ARGUMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS**

- 4.1. Total visits in January were a little under 27,000, a rise of about 10% from November (figures for December are not comparable due to Christmas). About half of the increase was for fitness attendances.
- 4.2. Programme development continues: the Back to Swimming programme has been successful, and GLL plan to continue it on an indefinite basis. It takes place in the training pool, with an instructor available to provide informal advice, and therefore sits between structured lessons and open sessions in the programme, and seems to be working well for less confident swimmers. Walking Football will be introduced shortly, by GLL in collaboration with the Norwich City Regional Development team; and a 'Leisure Club' session (based around badminton and short mat bowls, but also with a social element) is also being introduced, aimed at older people who may not have been active for some time. The intention is to continue piloting initiatives and developing the programme with a view to broadening the participation-base.
- 4.3. The working relationship between ECDC and GLL remains good. Further reports will be provided on a regular basis.

## **5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS / EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

- 5.1. No new financial commitments or equalities considerations arise from this report.

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### **Background Documents**

None

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