

ONE LEISURE INDEPENDENT REVIEW UPDATE

3.0 Overview and Scrutiny Comments

- 3.2 The Panel discussed the One Leisure Independent Review Update report at its meeting on 10th July 2025.
- 3.3 Councillor Shaw complemented the team on the report and noted that he particularly enjoyed reading the conclusion of the report.
- 3.4 Councillor Bywater echoed this and also noted that the Sawtry swimming pool project was very much appreciated by himself and the Sawtry community. He further questioned the timelines and planning to move the leisure centres towards Local Government Review (LGR). Following which, the Panel heard that an independent review would be undertaken to establish market position and what could be controlled within the Council's assets. The Panel were assured that the Council were mindful of the progress and successes of One Leisure and would endeavour to protect this during and following the move into LGR.
- 3.5 Following a question from Councillor Alban, the Panel heard that 60% of One Leisure's revenue was generated through Health and Fitness, 20% through swimming lessons and 10% through casual swimming. These activities make up the bulk of focus of One Leisure. The Panel also heard that conversations and opportunities were being developed with the Football Foundation on collaborative opportunities in line with the Council's playing pitch strategy. It was noted that the popularity of sports at centres was continually monitored and considered in line with centre development opportunities.
- 3.6 Following this, it was noted that the Panel had no further comments or discussion to add and that this would be added to the Cabinet report in order for an informed decision to be made on the report recommendations.