



**Trowbridge Area Board Campus Working Group TABCWG
Report to the Area Board January 2016**

Meetings with other providers

Members of the TABCWG have met with other providers and tried to gain responses to the questions generated by the group

- Meeting with Places for People
They have been given notice that their contract will end in March 2018. They do not expect any extension. They confirmed that the leisure facilities overall make a profit and subsidise facilities in neighbouring community areas. They also shared views on those facilities that were particularly economically viable e.g. fitness, swimming lessons. They confirmed the creation of a central leisure facility in Trowbridge was logical and needed. Combining this with health provision would be in line with current thinking. They do not expect the new 24-hour gym to have a major impact upon their financial viability.
- Meeting with Louie Cary Head of Leisure Services
LC confirmed the termination of the contract for PFP. All leisure facilities except Trowbridge would be taken in-house from 2018. As the Trowbridge project is part of economic regeneration LC has had little to do with it. Leisure Services now operate under Public Health so the link between health and leisure is sensible. LC confirmed that provision in Trowbridge does subsidise adjacent areas. LC also expressed views on which aspects were likely to be most sustainable going forward.
- Housing there is no proposal at present for any housing on the East Wing site
- Use of County Hall by other partners such as CAB. No decision has yet been made on this.

Third Meeting 22/12/15

- Clearing of east Wing site
Clearing of the site has begun with the demolition of the temporary accommodation. The contract to demolish East Wing itself has not yet been let and is not due to be completed until the end of March. This is 3 months later than the group had been led to believe.
- Health
The CCG are so concerned about the lack of progress that they have commissioned their own options assessment to consider other alternatives. A joint facility on the East Wing site would be their preferred option but the lack of progress means building on the Cricket Ground is likely to be their first choice. It would be ironic to lose the chance of joint provision having waited for health to come on board.
- Prioritisation of the working proposal
Using the information from the 2012 survey and that from leisure providers the group has gone back and prioritised the leisure element of the proposal. Without more clarity from WC on its plans for CH it is not yet possible to do this for the community aspect.

Terms of Reference

Drafted and awaiting final approval.

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