### **LEISURE SERVICE UPDATE**





### **Leisure Financial Information**

**All sites** 

Overall	Target	Actual	
Total	(Apr to Dec 21)	(Apr to Dec 21)	Variance
Income	-5,226,570	-4,490,345	736,225
Expenditure	6,573,657	5,356,525	-1,217,131
Net	1,347,087	866,180	-480,906

Overall Total	Target (Apr to Dec 22)	Actual (Apr to Dec 22)	Variance
Income	-8,668,487	-9,034,137	-365,651
Expenditure	9,320,723	9,117,996	-202,727
Net	652,236	83,859	-568,377

NB - The data above does not include any amounts for FM costs, utilities or VAT.

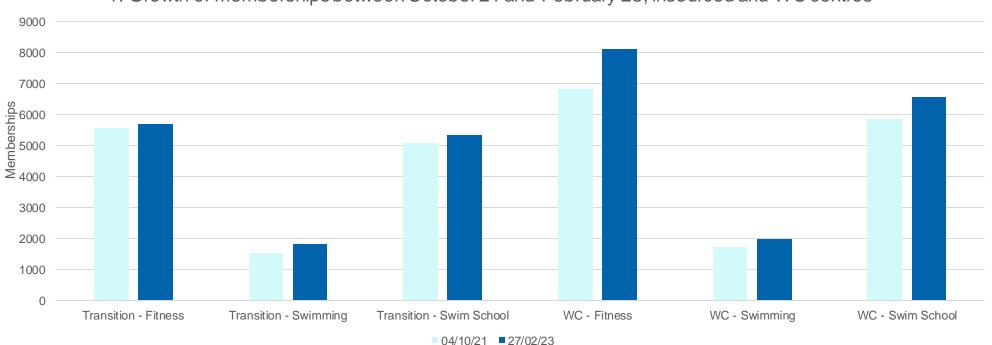


### **Leisure Financial Information**

- April 21 to December 21 the actual income was £736,225 below the income target; this includes 9 months of income for the in-house sites and 3 months for the transitioned sites
- April 22 to December 22 the overall actual income was £365,651 above the income target; this
  includes 9 months of income for both the in-house and transitioned sites.
- April 21 to December 21 the actual expenditure was £1,217,131 better than budget; this includes 9 months of expenditure for the in-house sites and 3 months for the transitioned sites
- April 22 to December 22 the overall actual expenditure was £202,727 better than budget; this
  includes 9 months of expenditure for both the in-house and transitioned sites
- The net position has **improved** by **£87,471** from the same period in the previous year







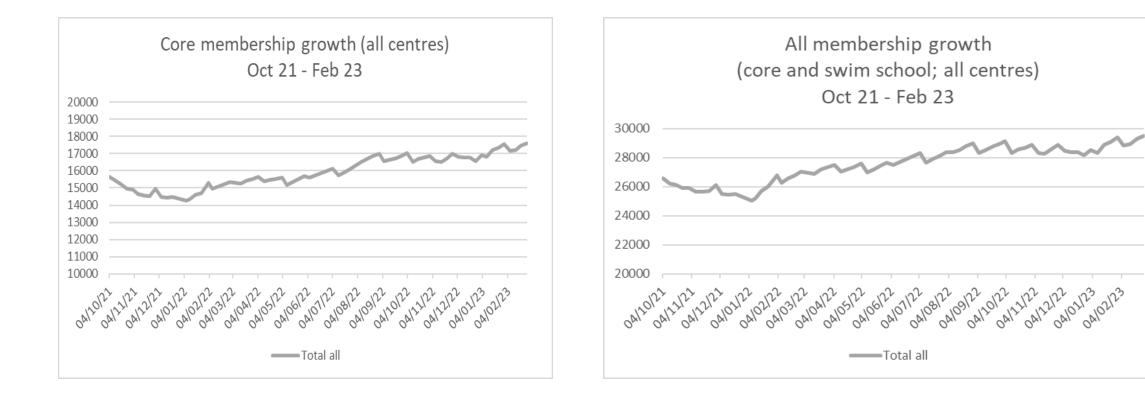
1. Growth of memberships between October 21 and February 23; insourced and WC centres



**All sites** 

- Graph 1 demonstrates growth in all membership types across all leisure centres since the transition.
- This means that there are more people participating in swimming, gym activities and fitness classes than there were in October 2021.
- In addition there has been significant growth in swimming lessons meaning more children are learning a skill that will last a lifetime.
- Insourced centre growth is 6% and in house centre growth is 16% across the period of Oct 21 to Feb 23







- Graph 1 in the previous slide demonstrate growth in membership across all leisure sites in Core Memberships (fitness and swimming)
- Graph 2 in the previous slide demonstrate growth in membership across all leisure sites across all membership types including swimming lessons
- The removal of free Junior Memberships has resulted in growth of low cost Junior Zone membership from 522 in October 21 to 2073 in February 23.
- Over the same period Swimming Lesson memberships have grown from 5757 to 11,926.





## **Public Holiday Opening**

• The leisure team are scoping opportunities to open on Public Holidays as a pilot in a few sites.





### **LIBRARY SERVICE UPDATE**

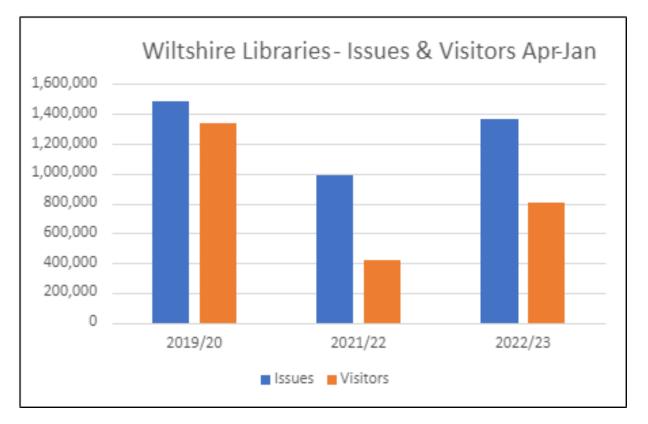




### Library Service Pandemic Recovery

	Issues	Visitors
2019/20	1,483,262	1,333,390
2021/22	984,065	419,654
2022/23	1,368,801	804,889

- Issues are now 92% of pre-pandemic levels and continue to increase
- Visits are at 60% of pre-pandemic levels, mirroring the national picture and far higher than last year. Activities returned later than the lending offer, so footfall is slower to catch up





### **Library Service Priorities**

**Facilities Review** - focussing on reducing property costs and implementing community hubs across the county

- Following the success of the Market Lavington Library move to co-located premises, Durrington Library reopens as a Community Hub in the Village Hall this month, in partnership with the Town Council
- Mapping work has started with Systems Thinking and FM to look at the other library buildings in scope



### **Library Service Priorities**

**Universal Offers** – developed by Libraries Connected, the public sector support body for public libraries, the Universal Offers are a national framework on which library services develop their provision

- This involves working with partners, from within the council and local and national organisations, to deliver quality services
- The following slides highlight some of the work completed in the past year





### **Digital & Information**

- National Databank Project Libraries are working with the Good Things Foundation to distribute free SIMs and mobile data to people over 18 on low incomes to enable internet access
- IT Support Libraries have run 407 online sessions supporting people to get online since April 2022. 90% of attendees said it improved their confidence
- Multiply Maths Project In partnership with Employment & Skills Team, entry level maths support sessions to take place in libraries



### **Health & Wellbeing**

- Reading Well Collections self-help books recommended by Health Practitioner on living with dementia, mental health and long-term health conditions for both adults and young people. Issues (Apr – Jan 2023 6,500) have increased 26.7% on previous year. Work is progressing with Social Prescribers at GPs surgeries to promote to those with a recent diagnosis or on waiting lists
- Monitoring blood pressure project Libraries are working with Public Health on a new pilot project to provide blood pressure monitoring equipment in libraries. Supporting those most at risk of hypertension to engage with health professionals early for better health outcomes



### Reading, Culture & Creativity

- Reading Groups Libraries support almost 200 groups operating in the community, along with 20 in libraries including ones for people with a visual impairment and dementia. Just 6 minutes reading a day is proven to reduce stress and anxiety
- **Green Libraries** Wiltshire was one of only 15 Library Authorities who received funding to deliver a series of talks and activities to raise awareness of how to reduce your carbon footprint
- Cultural events Libraries have run over 5000 cultural events since April 2022. This has included reading groups, story times, 4 panto performances and activities supporting the Queen's Jubilee and World Book Day



### **Support for the Vulnerable**

- Cost of Living support All libraries are registered as Warm Spaces and library staff have received training from Warm & Safe Wiltshire to help people with energy queries. 1071 Warm Packs have been given out containing a hot water bottle, blanket and thermal mug to those most in need
- Home Library Service Over 100 people receive an at home library service as they are unable to visit the library due to frailty, disability or a medical condition. 83% said the service makes a difference to their health and wellbeing and 93% said it kept their mind active





### **Children & Young People**

- Rhyme times 19 Libraries offer weekly sessions for babies and toddlers. Since April 2022 11,900 adults and 13,200 children have attended and 100% surveyed said they felt more connected with their babies as a result. The sessions support parent/child bonding, early years brain development and children who learn rhymes from an early age go on to do better when they start school
- Summer Reading Challenge 6,206 children took part in 2022 and completions increased by 52% on the previous year. 80% of participants said their reading had improved. This year the theme is Being Active and Libraries will be working with Leisure to promote the benefits of reading and exercise

