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.

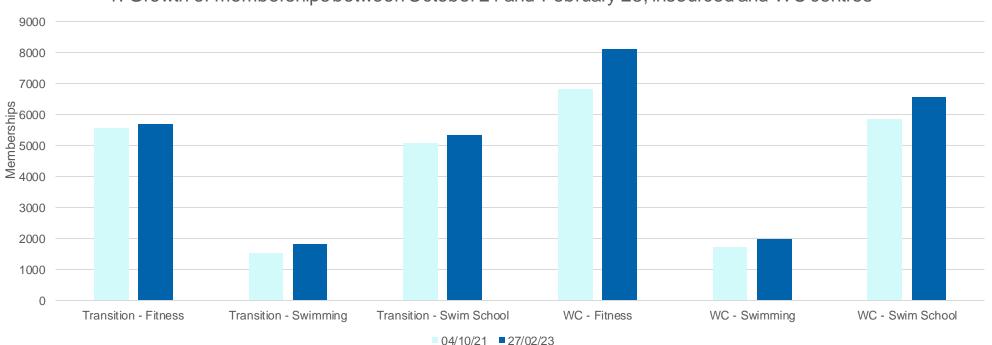


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- April 21 to December 21 the actual income was £736,225 below the income target; this includes 9 months of income for the in-house sites and 3 months for the transitioned sites
- April 22 to December 22 the overall actual income was £365,651 above 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







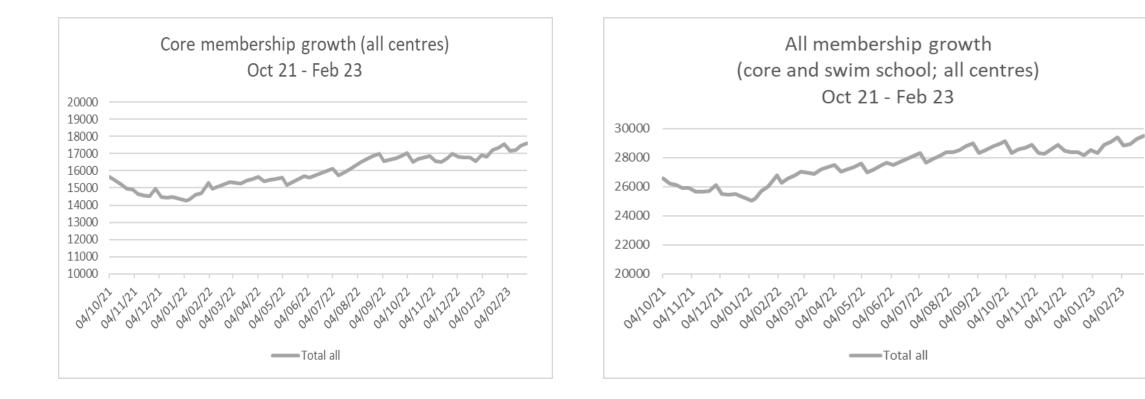
1. Growth of memberships between October 21 and February 23; insourced and WC centres



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

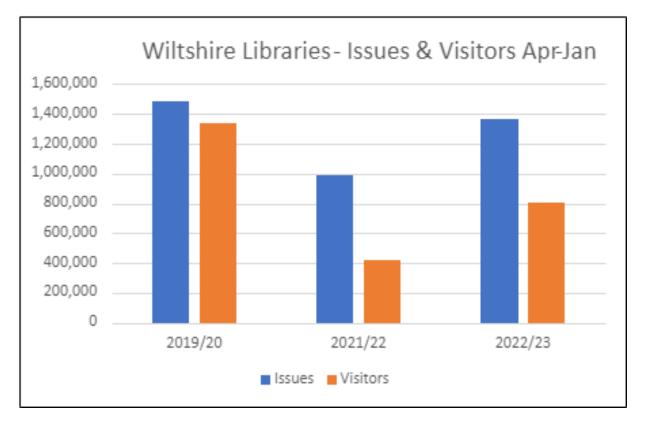




Library Service Pandemic Recovery

| | 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

