

**SPECIAL URGENCY DECISION**

Leader of Council:  
Councillor Alyson Barnes

Signature: 

Chair of Overview and Scrutiny:  
Councillor Jackie Oakes

Signature: 

Decision Taker:  
Councillor Patrick Marriott

Signature: 

Details of Decision and Reasoning:

**Decision:** That the Council acts as guarantor for the lease agreement of £101,400 for gym equipment for Rossendale Leisure Trust.

**Reason for decision and reason for Special Urgency:** The winter campaign is due from the end of September. A decision is required immediately to ensure this can be achieved before the end of September and keep within the project plan. This would achieve a number of elements, such as creating a new look and feel for the gym and wrap in the service and maintenance agreement. Without the Council's support as guarantor the funding will not be achieved. The Leisure Reserve as at 31/3/2014 will more than cover the Rossendale Leisure Trust Balance Sheet deficit.

Decision to be taken by:

Head of Finance and Property Services:  
Phil Seddon

Documents to be considered by the decision taker:

Lease agreement.

Implications:

Risk if Rossendale Leisure Trust default on payments; the Council would be potentially liable for the remaining contract. However, the Leisure Reserve at 31/3/2014 will more than cover the RLT Balance Sheet deficit as identified above.

Status:

For Publication

Date:

15/09/2014

## NOTES

### A Key Decision is defined as one that either:

- a) is, in value worth more than £100,000, or
  - b) has a **significant impact** because (for example) it either:
    - (i) affects individuals or organisations outside the Borough; or
    - (ii) will have a long term (more than 5 years) or permanent effect on the council or the borough.
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  3. When the decision has been made and the form signed by the decision taker and the portfolio holder the form should be sent to the Committee Services Manager.