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Re: Agenda item 11 - Leisure Facilities Investment and Procurement

Statement submitted by: Councillor Ed Plowden

The pool and the community campaign to save it are going from strength to strength. It looks like it can run without subsidy. The biggest risk to its continued operation under a Community Asset Transfer is unreasonable timescales or other conditions imposed by the Council. We know from many other examples across the country that pools can flourish under local management

The Council needs recognise the strength of local feeling and organisation and play a genuinely enabling role in leaving no stone unturned to keeping this much loved local facility going.