

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

CABINET

AXHOLME NORTH SPORTS CENTRE

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 To report progress on the plan to build North Axholme Sports Centre.
- 1.2 The key point of the report is as follows.
 - The Axholme North Sports Centre project has reached construction stage and the target is to complete the build in January 2018.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Council has now appointed a contractor to build a new £5.6m sports centre in Crowle. The site for Axholme North Sports Centre is the Axholme Academy, located on Wharf Road, Crowle. The Council is working in partnership with the Axholme Academy to deliver this key development that will prove a significant community asset for the Axholme North area. The contractor who will deliver the project is Harry Fairclough Construction.
- 2.2 Planning consent was secured for the development in February 2016. Legal permissions required to progress the project were finalised in September 2016. The Sports Centre will have a 25 metre swimming pool, a fitness gymnasium suite, dance studio, tennis courts and a floodlit artificial grass sports pitch. Axholme Academy's existing sports hall and changing rooms will be refurbished. The facilities will open to the community on a daily basis.
- 2.3 The Council has agreed a start date with representatives of Harry Fairclough and Axholme Academy. Work will start on site on Monday 21 November. The target is to complete the new centre in January 2018.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 There are no options to consider as this report is for information only.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

- 4.1 Not applicable.

5. **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)**

5.1 Financial

5.1.1 At the meeting of Cabinet held on 12 July 2016, total capital funding amounting to £5.664m was approved for the project.

5.2 There are no other resource implications to consider at present.

6. **OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)**

6.1 Enabling individuals and communities across North Lincolnshire to become involved in sports and active recreation is an excellent way to encourage participation from a wide and diverse range of social, ethnic and cultural backgrounds in support of our diversity aims.

6.2 Getting more people to take part in active recreation can have a positive impact towards helping the council to achieve its aims.

7. **OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED**

7.1 We have held community consultation events in Crowle to allow individuals, sports clubs and school pupils to share their thinking on the type and range of sports facilities required. The mix of facilities is down to the feedback received from the community.

8. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 That Cabinet notes and welcomes the start of the construction of Axholme North Sports Centre, in Crowle.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

- Report to Cabinet held on 12 July 2016 – Finance and Performance Outturn 2015-16 and Budget Review 2016-17