

PENDLE BOROUGH COUNCIL
2016/17 GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET – SAVINGS PROPOSAL

1. SERVICE	Financial Services
2. IMPLEMENTATION DATE:	1/4/16
3. CORPORATE PRIORITY	Ensuring a clean, healthier, safer and cohesive Pendle Maintaining a sustainable, resilient and efficient organisation
4. TITLE OF PROPOSAL	Pendle Leisure Trust – Reduced Management Fee

5. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:
To target a reduction in the Council's grant funding (management fee) to the Trust by £318,000 in 2016/17.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (NET ADDITIONAL SAVINGS)

	2016/17 £	2017/18 £	2018/19 £
Revenue (target)	318,000	300,000	300,000
Capital	0	0	0

7. IMPACT ON SERVICE PROVISION, IMPLEMENTATION AND OTHER ISSUES

Discussions have taken place with Trust representatives outlining the Council's financial position and requesting that the Trust identify options to deliver the Council's target saving for 2016/17. The Council's grant funding of the Trust is £1.88m in the current year.

In response the Trust have submitted a number of proposals for consideration by the Council. These consist of the following:

	£'000
• Relocation from Colne Town Hall (possibly to Elliott Hse)	28
• Revised staffing arrangements post Chief Executive departure	74
• Closure of Spa on Mondays	39
• Operate ACE Centre as per the Muni	52
• Increase contribution from hospitality	20
• Changes to operating hours of Urban Altitude	15
• Price Increases for admissions and hires (3%)	21
• Withdraw from the Blues Festival	49
• Savings re Marsden Park Golf Club	<u>20</u>
	318

The Trust confirms that the staff saving shown above is explicitly linked to the option to withdraw from the Blues Festival as this event accounts for significant management time. The staff saving shown above is unlikely to be realised if the event is continued by the Trust. In response Councillors will be aware that separate meetings to discuss the future of the Festival event have been held with a number of options under review.

A variant on the above list of items could include the closure of Marsden Park Golf club given alternative neighbouring provision – the saving from this is estimated at £50k (£30k in addition to the £20k shown above) but this is not being proposed by the Trust.