

OFFICER DECISION RECORD

Officer: Phil Hughes, Head of Leisure Services/SRO March Future High Street Project	Service: Leisure Services
CMT Officer: Peter Catchpole, Section 151 Officer	Delegated Power Being Exercised: FDC Constitution, paragraph 101 states as follows: 101. To authorise licences to assign for any lease, grant any wayleave or easement, or to agree any change (including revocation) of any freehold or leasehold covenant where it is in the Councils interest to do so. This is a power conferred on the Corporate Director whose functional area is property.
Subject of Decision: To undertake to work with the Land Registry to submit an application to register a restriction to the Title of the Hudson Leisure Centre in favour of The English Sports Council.	

Decision Taken: To undertake to work with the Land Registry to submit an application to register a restriction to the Title of the Hudson Leisure Centre in favour of The English Sports Council.	
Reason for the Decision: Without moving such an undertaking forward, FDC will be unable to claim a grant in excess of £100k from Sport England. This decision itself has no value.	
Alternative Options Considered (if appropriate): N/A	
Background/Reports/Information considered and attached: FDC applied for capital funding for energy efficiencies in the Hudson Leisure Centre in 2023. A grant of c.£160k was awarded. The Council has installed energy efficient lighting in the swimming pool hall. The Council is in contract to deliver solar PV and further energy efficient lighting upgrades into the facility. To protect Sport England's investment, a restriction on title is necessary for all significant Sport England grants and is a reasonable and appropriate measure that FDC has also implemented in the past, when receiving a capital grant.	
Officer's Signature: Phil Hughes, Head of Leisure Services <i>(Cllr Alex Miscandlon was briefed verbally following this decision following Cabinet on 24 March 2025 and indicated that he wanted this work to proceed as soon as possible)</i>	Date: 24 March 2025

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