

CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURAL SERVICES AND SPORT

**Venue: Town Hall, Moorgate
Street, Rotherham.**

Date: Tuesday, 15th December, 2009

Time: 10.00 a.m.

A G E N D A

1. To determine if the following matters are to be considered under the categories suggested in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972.
2. To determine any item which the Chairman is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.
3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2nd December, 2009 (copy herewith) (Pages 1 - 8)
4. Library Strategy Proposal (report herewith) (Pages 9 - 13)
 - Bernard Murphy to report.
5. The National Archives Self-Assessment Performance Measurement Programme – Overall Score (report herewith) (Pages 14 - 17)
 - Lisa Broadest to report.
6. Exclusion of the Press and Public.
The following item is likely to be considered in the absence of the press and public as being exempt under Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended March 2006) (information relates to finance and business affairs):-
7. New Cultural Accommodation (report herewith) (Pages 18 - 23)
 - Phil Rogers to report.

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CABINET MEMBER FOR CULTURAL SERVICES AND SPORT
Wednesday, 2nd December, 2009

Present:- Councillor St. John (in the Chair) and Councillor Falvey.

F35. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 10TH NOVEMBER, 2009

Resolved:- That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member held on 10th November, 2009 be signed as a true record.

With regards to Minute No. F30 the Cabinet Member was to discuss this with his fellow Elected Members.

F36. MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLAY PATHFINDER PROJECT BOARD HELD ON 13TH NOVEMBER, 2009

Consideration was given to the minutes of the Play Pathfinder Project Board held on 13th November, 2009.

Reference was made to proposals for play facilities at both Swinton and Wickersley and it was suggested that the relevant officer contact the Cabinet Member with an update.

Resolved:- That the minutes held on 13th November, 2009 be received.

F37. MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CLIFTON PARK RESTORATION PROJECT BOARD HELD ON 13TH NOVEMBER, 2009

Consideration was given to the minutes of the Clifton Park Restoration Project Board held on 13th November, 2009.

Resolved:- That the minutes held on 13th November, 2009 be received.

F38. CUSTOMER CARE - 1ST JULY TO 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2009

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Customer Services Standards Co-ordinator which detailed performance statistics for Quarter 2 (July, to September, 2009), against the Customer First Charter and suggested recommendations for improvement where necessary. Within the Customer First Charter there were five minimum standards, each underpinned by a number of targets.

The report set out clearly in detail information relating to:-

- Developments.
- Self-Monitoring.

- Customer Service Excellence.
- Statistical Information.
- Recommendations for improvement.
- Comparisons with other Directorates.

In terms of Culture and Leisure Services it was noted that there had been seven complaints since April, 2009, with the latest one concerning the closure of the Civic Theatre bar after productions. There was the opportunity for the bar to be kept open with the cost being met by the organising society.

Resolved:- That the contents of the report be noted.

F39. YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER ENVIRONMENTAL DATA NETWORK

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Green Spaces Manager, which provided Members with an introduction to the purpose of the Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network and how the Council may become involved.

The purpose of the Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network (YHEDN) was to meet the requirements for the robust environmental evidence base needed to support the strategic objectives set out in the Regional Spatial Strategy (RSS) and the Regional Biodiversity Strategy.

The Yorkshire and Humber Regional Biodiversity Strategy (RBS) had been produced by the Yorkshire and Humber Biodiversity Forum (which included Natural England, the Environment Agency, Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, Regional Assembly and the RSPB). Regional biodiversity strategies have been produced in response to the Regional White Paper 2002, which stated that they should be one of ten strategies produced within each regional planning framework. The region's biodiversity strategy would sit within the Integrated Regional Framework.

Further to advice from Yorkshire Forward Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network was currently being established as a Community Interest Company (CIC). A Community Interest Company was a non-profit organisation which operated for the benefit of a named community, whereby members agreed to enter into a joint venture under certain conditions, which were set out in the company's articles of association. In the case of the Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network, the members would be the organisations who recorded and shared information about the natural environment in our region. The Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network articles would govern how the directors would be appointed, how the network would operate and would explicitly state that neither the network nor another member would compete for local business.

Once the Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network Interest Company was in place it would be opportune for the Council to formally

engage with the company as a member and it was proposed that the Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network representatives be invited to meet with the Council to discuss the benefits and implications of membership with a view to agreeing formal involvement. Formal engagement would enable the continuation of the existing benefits received and would provide access to additional IT products and services as well as support to achieve appropriate standards and quality control processes.

Discussion ensued on the benefits to the Council, the delivery of information and the cohesion of records.

Resolved:- (1) That the contents of the report be noted.

(2) That agreement be given to the arrangement of a meeting between representatives of the Yorkshire and Humber Environmental Data Network and the Council.

F40. BMX TRACK AT THORPE HESLEY

Consideration was given to a report presented by Green Spaces Manager, which detailed, investigations following receipt in March, 2009 of a petition by 207 children in Thorpe Hesley who felt that a BMX track was needed within the village, possibly at Barnsley Road, to help meet local demand for improved recreational facilities for children. It was noted that the village lacked adequate children's play facilities. It was also suggested that a BMX track would help to tackle childhood obesity in Rotherham North Assembly Area who had the lowest life expectancy for males and females in the borough.

There were few dedicated BMX tracks in Rotherham. However, the borough's principal facility of this sort was located at Little Common Lane in Kimberworth, also in Rotherham North Assembly Area, approximately 3.5 km from Thorpe Hesley. However, it was understood that parents of young children were unwilling to allow them to travel to Kimberworth.

The Play Pathfinder Programme identified the Barnsley Road site as a location for a new equipped children's play area, planned for installation during 2009-10. However, there had been some uncertainty over the summer months about the suitability of the site following representations from local residents who were concerned about existing nuisance behaviour issues in the area. Any progress would also be dependent on how new play facilities could be accommodated alongside existing playing pitches. Consequently, a decision on whether such a facility could be developed on the site, and where, was not resolved until the Play Pathfinder Project Board confirmed in September, 2009 that the play area should go ahead, subject to existing football pitches being relocated.

The outcome of the above deliberations had been awaited in considering how to take forward the BMX track proposal, which were taken in

conjunction with the concerns expressed by residents about anti-social behaviour and the additional maintenance needs and management of the facility.

Discussion ensued on the request by the community group at Kimberworth who were now finding it extremely difficult to maintain the facility and had approached the Council for support. The Council were not in a position to provide support and as a result were unable to take forward the proposals for a further BMX track in Thorpe Hesley.

It was, therefore, suggested that a meeting be brokered between the lead petitioner and the lead from the community group to see if they could work together and find a suitable way forward in managing the current facility.

Resolved:- (1) That the contents of the report be noted.

(2) That no further development of the proposal takes place unless a means to maintain and manage a BMX track could be identified

(3) That a reply be sent to the lead petitioner explaining the Cabinet Member's decision.

(4) That a meeting be brokered between the community group in Kimberworth and the lead petitioner to see if they were able to offer any assistance or support in managing the current facility.

F41. OCTOBER BUDGET MONITORING

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Senior Accountant, which set out performance against the revenue budget for the Environment and Development Services Directorate as at the end of October, 2009 and provided a forecasted outturn for the whole of the 2009/10 financial year.

Pressures within Sports and Recreation total (£60k) included arrears of costs at pools (£15k) and solicitor costs (£18k).

Additionally, unbudgeted security costs at Ulley Reservoir (£27k) have been incurred. Culture and Heritage have a forecast net under spend of £12k. There were savings of (£3k-) in Museums and Libraries Management due to staff vacancies and savings within Libraries (£4k-).

It was noted that the Culture and Leisure Service was continuing to work on achieving savings offered as part of setting the budget for 2009/10.

Resolved:- (1) That the current forecast year end outturn position of an overspend of £449,000 for the Environment and Development Services Directorate based on expenditure and income as at October, 2009 be noted.

(2) That this report be referred to the Regeneration Scrutiny Panel for information.

F42. ROSEHILL SKATE PARK

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Operations Manager for Green Spaces, which set out details to confirm that funding had been secured to provide a concrete skate park at Rosehill (Victoria) Park, Rawmarsh. This facility was not identified on the original park masterplan produced in 2005 but had come as a result of consultation work carried out by Groundwork Dearne Valley. Subsequently a suitable location within the park now needed to be identified and agreed upon.

Four potential locations were identified for the skate park and each of the site options were investigated and allowed for a proposed racquets centre to be built should this proposal receive approval in due course.

The potential sites were:-

- A. North of the park adjacent to the new play area and bowling green.
- B. North of the park on the eastern side of the main path running to Thorogate.
- C. North of the park at the rear of the existing tennis courts.
- D. North side of the main pedestrian entrance from Warren Vale.

Each location had both advantages and disadvantages to consider.

The option preferred by those present at the site meeting was Option C. Option D was also felt to have some merit by the Ward Members present. It was felt that options A and B were less suitable as they were closer to residential properties.

A decision on location needed to be reached as soon as possible so that sketch plans could be drawn up and submitted for planning approval. Assuming this was granted it was hoped to send the project out to tender by the end of this year. It was anticipated the project would be completed by Spring, 2010.

Discussion ensued on each of the potential sites and the location of the proposed racket centre and agreement reached that the most suitable location being that of Option C. It was suggested that all Ward Members and Rawmarsh and Parkgate Action Group be informed accordingly of the decision.

Resolved:- (1) That the construction of a concrete skate park in Rosehill Park be approved.

(2) That consideration be given to the proposed options for locations within Rosehill Park and Option C (north of the park at the rear of the existing tennis courts) be approved.

(3) That notification of the preferred option be sent to all Ward Members and Rawmarsh and Parkgate Action Group.

F43. SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION STRATEGY 2005 - 2008

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Manager for Sport and Physical Activity, which provided an overview of the current Sport and Recreation Strategy (2005 – 2008) detailing some of its achievements and outlining how the new Strategy was being developed.

The report also identified a key future challenge for the Culture and Leisure Service and in particular highlighted the need to consider how to deploy the available resources in order to address national priorities and indicators.

The strategy had enabled the Culture and Leisure Service to monitor progress on a number of key outcomes, as well as implement processes to establish a robust system for collecting, managing and reporting data.

Further information was provided on:-

- Key Achievements.
- The Rotherham Wide Approach.
- Timescales for Action.
- National Priorities and Indicators.

The Sports Development Team front line delivery was limited by resources and capacity, but by re-focusing its work on delivering the six themes and partnership development, the Sports Development Team had more potential to deliver on the new Strategy and further impact on the national performance indicators.

Discussion ensued on the challenges facing the service and impact on children and young people when there would be more focus on adult participation, which was an area of importance for Sport England mainly due to the enormous drop off of post school/college.

Resolved:- (1) That officers report in back in January, 2010 once the new Sport and Recreation Strategy was in draft form.

(2) That the need for and potential impact of reducing the focus on children and young people in terms of service delivery and performance indicators be noted.

F44. FUTURE OF SPORTS DEVELOPMENT WORKFORCE

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Manager for Sport and Physical Activity, which outlined the pressures on the Council's Sports Development Team in terms of people resources and the restraints

of sustainable development with short-term funded posts.

The philosophy of the Sports Development Team was to work in partnership towards building sustainable programmes, thereby creating regular opportunities that were accessible to all members of the community. There were many examples where activities have been successfully transferred to a club, instructor or community group following sports development intervention or support.

The current Sports Development Team was established in April, 2004. It consisted of six mainstreamed officers, whose remit was to increase active participation in sport and physical activity, in order to contribute to the Council's corporate objectives.

In order to ensure the team was able to broaden the impact on Rotherham communities substantial additional funding from external sources had been brought in to support projects and provide additional people who could deliver activities and opportunities in communities.

Externally funded projects tended to be short-term and, therefore, periodically affected project delivery. Unfortunately, some posts were short-term funded and nearing the end of their contract period and whilst the team were trying to secure further funding to extend these posts it was extremely difficult to re-fund existing projects.

It was unlikely in the current climate that additional mainstream funding would be identified.

If all of the externally funded posts came to an end there would be a significant impact on the Sports Development Team's capacity to develop and deliver sport and physical activity opportunities in local communities.

A reduced capacity to develop and deliver was likely to restrict the Culture and Leisure Service's ability to impact on national and local indicators, in particular NI8 (adult participation in sport) and also NI199 (young people's satisfaction with parks and play areas).

Future external funding opportunities, which might support this work, were difficult to predict, but the team would continue to seek out all possible sources in order to enhance its capacity to carry out sports development work across the borough.

Discussion ensued on the significant impact on the Sports Development Team's capacity to develop and delivery sport and physical activity opportunities in local communities.

It was noted that a reduced capacity to develop and deliver was likely to restrict the Culture and Leisure Service's ability to impact on national and local indicators.

Future external funding opportunities, which might support this work, were difficult to predict, but the team would continue to seek out all possible sources in order to enhance its capacity to carry out sports development work across the Borough.

Resolved:- (1) That the report and potential impact of reducing external funding on service delivery and performance indicators be noted.

(2) That officers report back on the outcomes of external funding issues in twelve months time.

F45. ROTHERHAM CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

Consideration was given to a report presented by the Reader Development Manager, which outlined how Rotherham Children's Book Festival was a borough wide annual literature festival programmed for children, young people and their families and used libraries and other community spaces as venues. The aim of the Festival was to inspire creative reading and writing and encourage a love of books amongst the young and those who cared for them. An overarching objective of the Children's Book Festival was to build audiences for literature.

It was the intention to sustain and develop the Festival into the future. Books, reading and stories would be a pivotal focus for the development of all Festival activities. The continued engagement of current partners and the investigation of new partners would widen libraries, schools and community involvement.

The increased involvement of the Schools Library Service in Festival activity would promote Rotherham Children's Book Festival to a wider audience and help frame the content and relevance of events.

Increased family reading activity and public facing events in libraries would encourage participation in local cultural activity.

2010 would be the 10th anniversary and would take place at the end of June and last for around one week.

Resolved:- (1) That the contents of the report be noted.

(2) That a commitment in principle to sustain and develop Rotherham Children's Book Festival be approved.

(3) That the Library and Information Service continue to explore sponsorship options.

ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet member for Cultural Services and Sport
2.	Date:	15th December, 2009
3.	Title:	Library Strategy Proposal
4.	Directorate:	EDS

5. Summary

To seek approval to develop a strategy for Rotherham's Public Libraries.

6. Recommendations

- **Recognition of the important role played by our libraries in helping to change lives and transform communities by provision of a service striving for excellence.**
- **Approval is given to develop a strategy for libraries to help embed the positive change and improved performance already being delivered by our public libraries. The strategy would be based on a full assessment of local needs in order to ensure the council fulfils its statutory duties under the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964.**

7. Proposals and Details

- A 10 year strategy for Rotherham Libraries will be produced during 2010. This would be a public document and would identify the services provided to the public via the library network.
- This process will involve consultation with the public, elected members, stakeholders, partners, managers and staff.
- When the final version of the document is produced it is intended that there will be a public launch to allow maximum publicity for the service.

7.1 Background

- The Public Libraries And Museums Act (1964) requires local Councils to provide a local library service which is comprehensive and efficient and that is available to all who wish to use it .
- Framework for the future (DCMS 2003 -2013 { 10 year vision for Public Libraries})
- Public Library Service Standards.
- Cultural strategies in Rotherham 2000- 2007.
- Annual Library Plans, Position statements, Libraries Team plan.
- Continued member support for the Public Library Service in Rotherham.
- All the above have been useful in helping to move the Library service forward in Rotherham.

7.2 Current situation

- Still a statutory service working under the terms of the Act above.
- In common with many local authorities, following guidance from HM government, RMBC no longer produces a separate Cultural Strategy but incorporates Culture and Leisure aims and objectives in the Council's Corporate Plan.
- We are still using the most useful elements of Public Library standards to help us locally, but from this year they are no longer a national requirement.
- Current building improvement programme nearing completion.
- Clarity needed for managers, staff, members, stakeholders, partners and local communities on what makes a good Library Service in the twenty first century and the future direction of the public Library Service in Rotherham.
- An approved strategic direction of travel for Rotherham Libraries is required and needs to recognise the ongoing financial constraints based on all future services.
- Audit Commission have given a clear and consistent message that good policy/strategy development is key to improving services and outcomes for local people.

- We need to be aware of the recent DCMS Inquiry into the Library Service in the Wirral where Wirral Borough Council was found to be in breach of its statutory duties.
- The Library service has undergone and is undergoing lots of change which is producing positive results locally. We are also increasingly attracting the attention of other local authorities for our good practice - we now need to embed this positive change in strategy so that the service continues this improvement in performance for the benefit of our local communities in Rotherham.

8. Finance

Strategy development is the shorter term and main interest of this report. Costs of putting the strategy together entail consultation costs and printing and marketing/advocacy costs which involve the resources of time, money, and people. These have revenue implications and we intend to put a bid into the promotions and publicity pooled budget.

Longer term the costs will be around library strategy delivery and these will be informed by the library strategy itself. Some of these will be met through current revenue and Capital allocations and agreed through annual service planning. Others may require additional capital and revenue investment if the service is to continue to improve, move forward and exemplify good practice. As a major factor within this strategic review, a VFM exercise will be carried out on both the current and possible alternative methods of delivery.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

9.1 Ensuring enough resources for development of strategy e.g. time, money, people, advice, expertise.

9.2 Ensuring enough resources for implementation of strategy.

9.3 To not have a Public Library Strategy would place both the Council and the service at risk. (The recent DCMS Wirral Inquiry points to 'risks in relying on a Strategic Asset Review without a concurrent Library Service Review to specifically address the design and delivery of the Library Service.')

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

10.1 Rotherham Libraries are one of the few Council services that are based in local communities but whose services connect with National shared priorities. Libraries are therefore ideally placed to assist in contributing to CAA and all the priorities in the Community Strategy and the Corporate Plan.

- Rotherham Alive
'People will be able to express themselves and have opportunities to be involved in a wide range of high quality cultural, social and sporting activities'
'Improve the life chances of children and young people.'
'Enhance opportunities for involvement in the cultural activities.'
- Rotherham Learning
'Rotherham people will be recognised as being informed, skilled and creative.'
'Encourage more local people to become involved in learning.'
- Rotherham Achieving
'Raise quality of life and living standards.'
'contributes to the cultural life of Rotherham'
- Rotherham Safe
'Environments, people and businesses will be protected and nurtured.'
- Rotherham Proud
'The borough will have a positive external image.'

11. Background Papers and Consultation

- Rotherham Libraries and Information Team Plan 2009/10
- Cultural Services Team Plan 2009/10
- Culture and Leisure Team plan 2009/10
- Framework for the Future (DCMS 2003-2013)
- Digital Britain (White Paper and various Government consultations and reports 2009)
- The Learning Revolution (BIS White Paper on Informal Adult Learning March 2009)
- APPG on Libraries , Literacy and Information Management (Sept 2009)
- Taking Stock: the future of our Public Library Service (Unison, 2008.)
- Library service modernisation review (DCMS imminent –expected Spring 2010)
- Swindon Public Library Service Report July 2009
- Wirral Public Library Service Inquiry.(led by Sue Charteris) (DCMS Nov 30 2009)
- What makes a good Library Service? (Cilip Oct 2009)
- Strong and Prosperous communities – Local government White Paper (2006)

- Building a society for all ages (DWP, 2009)
- Families ,learning and culture : Inspiring families through museums, libraries and archives. (NIACE, 2008)
- Department of Health / Public Libraries Memorandum of Understanding (Agreement signed Nov 19 2009)

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ROTHERHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL – REPORT TO MEMBERS

1.	Meeting:	Cabinet Member for Cultural Services and Sport
2.	Date:	15th December, 2009
3.	Title:	The National Archives Self-Assessment Performance Measurement Programme – Overall Score
4.	Directorate:	Environment and Development Services

5. Summary

The Archives & Local Studies Service completed the self-assessment for local authorities last year and has received a 3*** (out of 4) rating. Our direction of travel is 'likely to improve further'.

6. Recommendations

The report be noted and received.

7. Proposals and Details

The programme is designed to provide a measure of overall service quality in the absence of any formal performance indicators for archive services in the Audit Commission's performance indicator set for local government and is designed to supplement the formal, on-site, inspections that TNA undertakes periodically.

The self-assessment programme is based on a comprehensive questionnaire that examines five areas of work: Governance and Staffing; Documentation of Collections; Access Services; Preservation and Conservation; and Buildings, Security and Environment.

Scores for Rotherham Archives and Local Studies are shown below with a comparison drawn against 2007 (shown in brackets). Average scores have also been shown for the region, all Metropolitan districts, and for England and Wales and for benchmarking purposes a comparison has been drawn against our neighbouring authorities except Sheffield (which is recognised as a large Archive Service).

	Score for your service	Average score in Yorkshire region	Average score of metropolitan council services	Average score in the UK	Barnsley Archives and Local Studies	Doncaster Archives and Local Studies
Section 1: governance and staffing	70% (74.5%)	60.5% (62.5%)	53.5% (58.5%)	62% (64%)	43.5% (53%)	36.5% (55.5%)
Section 2: documentation of collections	59.5% (57%)	56% (57%)	51.5% (46.5%)	59% (57%)	50.5% (48%)	50.5% (58%)
Section 3: access services	58.5% (60%)	53.5% (51.5%)	50.5% (46%)	57% (52.5%)	47.5% (49%)	48% (39.5%)
Section 4: preservation and conservation	72.5% (63.5%)	67% (61%)	57.5% (53.5%)	65% (62%)	62.5% (46%)	62% (61%)
Section 5: buildings, security and environment	62.5% (60.58%)	59.5% (56.5%)	61% (56%)	64.5% (60.5%)	56.5% (54%)	53% (53%)
Overall score	63% (62.5%)	58% (56.5%)	54.5% (51.5%)	61% (58%)	51% (2**) (50.5%)	49% (2**) (51%)
Direction of Travel	Likely to improve further	-	-	-	Will neither improve or deteriorate	Risk of deterioration

Each authority received a percentage score on each of the five areas, and an overall percentage score. The scores on the five areas of activity were then performance

banded, with the top ten per cent of services securing four stars; the bottom ten per cent scoring one star; and the remainder being divided equally into two-star and three-star categories.

Analysis of the 2008 results has shown that Rotherham is one of four 3*** services in the region, the others being two major, long-established County Record Offices and Sheffield Archives (a larger Archive Service). Four services scored lower than 3*** and one service, East Riding scored an impressive 4**** following the opening of the Treasure House.

It will be possible to maintain our current performance by making some small changes, ensuring recent developments are maintained and current initiatives are implemented. These have included the installation of new air-conditioning units in the strongroom (explaining the significant increase of the score in section 4), the recent increase in availability of online information about the holdings following the successful completion of the Rolling out the Archives project (which should increase our score in section 2 in 2010) and by the revision of some policies and procedures.

However until the Service moves into new accommodation (i.e. new cultural centre), a plateau of performance in the self-assessment will be reached within the next two years, as there are some areas where the score will be held down by the existing unsatisfactory accommodation.

8. Finance

Additional funding, including external funding, will need to be sought to continue to tackle the cataloguing backlog following the completion of the Rolling out the Archives project and to develop and implement a far reaching audience development plan.

9. Risks and Uncertainties

A poor performance or risk of deterioration in the assessment would effectively mean that the service will no longer be recognised as meeting national standards. This would damage the reputation of the Service and Council and could open up the possibility that donors/lenders will request that their deposited materials are returned to them.

The financial implications could also be particularly severe. Organisations such as the Heritage Lottery Fund would have a legitimate reason to demand the return of any grants awarded, including the £196,100 awarded by the HLF in 2005 for the Rolling out the Archives project. The Service would also be debarred from bidding for further grants from a number of funding bodies.

The planned transfer of the Service to interim accommodation during 2011 is likely to impact on service delivery and performance during and after that time. It is also likely that vital work to document, store, pack and decant the collections will impact on opening hours and access to those collections.

10. Policy and Performance Agenda Implications

Continuing to achieve a good score in the assessment is fundamental to the work that the Service does to deliver the corporate aims and objectives in particular against the Learning, Alive and Proud themes. It is also aligned with the Authority's priorities for performance management and excellence in service delivery across all 7 of the corporate themes, and with the regeneration priority of improving and promoting the image of Rotherham by transforming the image of Rotherham and addressing the negative views both within and outside of the Borough.

11. Background Papers and Consultation

Further details about TNA's self assessment performance measurement programme, alongside the results from 2007 and 2008 can be found at <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archives/self-assessment.htm>

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of the Local Government Act 1972.

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