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LEISURE AND CULTURAL STRATEGY 2006

- 2010

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Item for decision

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Summary

Title:

1 The Community & Leisure Committee approved the appointment of Consultants, Strategic Leisure Ltd., to prepare a Leisure & Cultural Strategy for the Uttlesford district for the period 2006 –2010. Following on from a presentation to the Community Committee this report seeks Members' confirmation that the Strategy be adopted. A copy of the Executive Summary of the Leisure & Cultural Strategy is attached at Appendix I. A copy of the full Strategy document is available for viewing in the Members' Room.

2 As part of the exercise to compile the strategy, Strategic Leisure were asked to address two key leisure considerations set out as projects in the Corporate Plan – "Consider the need for an Arts Centre and appropriate accommodation for aspiring artists, exhibitions etc." (13a & b) and "Establish whether there is potential for the provision of a country park and/or study/activity centre" (23d).

Recommendations

That Members' adopt the Leisure & Cultural Strategy 2006 – 2010 for the Uttlesford district as prepared by Strategic Leisure Ltd.

Background Papers

- Community & Leisure Committee Report
- Full Leisure & Cultural Strategy document

Impact

Communication/Consultation	Community consultation exercise undertaken
Community Safety	N/A
Equalities	N/A
Finance	N/A

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Human Rights	N/A
Legal implications	N/A
Ward-specific impacts	All
Workforce/Workplace	N/A

Situation

- The Consultants, Strategic Leisure Ltd., were appointed to produce a Leisure & Cultural Strategy for the Uttlesford district for the period 2006 2010 in August 2005.
- The research undertaken in the preparation of the Strategy is listed in the full document and the Consultants held a workshop for Councillors prior to the October Community & Leisure Committee.
- The Consultants will have made a presentation to the Community Committee to report their findings.
- The actions contained within the Plan do not have identified financial implications in terms of undertaking specific pieces of work but in some cases projects or initiatives resulting from development or investigation work could result in financial implications. Any such projects or initiatives would be submitted to Members via the Committee process for funding approval, as appropriate.

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