

WELWYN HATFIELD BOROUGH COUNCIL  
SOCIAL OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 27 JULY 2017  
REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (RESOURCES, ENVIRONMENT & CULTURAL SERVICES)

**CW ENTERTAINMENT ANNUAL REPORT 2016-17**

**1 Executive Summary**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report and its accompanying presentation is to inform members of this committee of the work of CW Entertainment over the period April 2016 to March 2017.

**2 Recommendation**

- 2.1 That this committee notes the content of this report and presentation for CW Entertainment covering 2016-17.

**3 Explanation**

- 3.1 CW Entertainment prepares and delivers an annual report to this committee for information purposes. This enables committee members to see how CW Entertainment has delivered a broad range of leisure and entertainment services in the borough. It currently comprises four distinct business brands – the Garden City Cinema (3 screens), Hawthorne Theatre, Roller City and Soft Play City. This is supported by Humphrey's Café and Kitchen downstairs and by Humphrey's Bar and Café upstairs in the building.
- 3.2 In addition to its annual reporting relationship with this committee there are three performance indicators relating to the business which are reported on a quarterly basis. There is also a cross-party Campus West Cabinet Panel which meets every other month through the year. Its primary purpose is to meet with Officers to oversee the strategic direction of the business and to report any recommendations it has on to the council's Cabinet.
- 3.3 In a departure from the previous format this year's annual report takes the form of a presentation. This will better illustrate the depth and breadth of the different leisure and entertainment services provided by CW Entertainment. It will also help Members who may not have visited over the past year to better visualise its work and to stimulate questions and comments.

**Implications**

**4 Legal Implications**

- 4.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from the content of this report as it is for information only.

## **5 Financial Implications**

- 5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. CW Entertainment is fully funded by the council to provide a diverse range of leisure and entertainment services from its base in the Campus West complex in Welwyn Garden City.

## **6 Risk Management Implications**

- 6.1 All risks associated with the delivery of CW Entertainment are monitored and reported as appropriate in the council's operational risk register.

## **7 Security and Terrorism Implications**

- 7.1 There are no known security or terrorism implications arising from the content of this report as it is for information only.

## **8 Procurement Implications**

- 8.1 There are no direct procurement implications arising from the content of this report as it is for information only.

## **9 Climate Change Implications**

- 9.1 There are no direct climate change implications arising from the content of this report as it is for information only.

## **10 Link to Corporate Priorities**

- 10.1 This report is linked to the council's corporate priority to '*Maintain a Safe and Healthy Community*', specifically to help improve and maintain the health and wellbeing of residents, and to provide for a wide variety of leisure covering arts, culture, fitness and sport in the borough.

## **11 Equality and Diversity**

- 11.1 A formal Equality Impact Assessment has not been completed in relation to this report as it is for information only.

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