

The following decision in this notice was made by the Executive on Thursday 3rd August 2023.

Where a decision is identified as a **KEY DECISION** it will come into force and may be implemented on five clear working days after publication, unless the decision is subject to call-in, in accordance with section 18 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules within North Northamptonshire Council's Constitution. No key decisions were considered at this meeting.

Requests for Call-In

A request for call-in shall only be considered to be valid if signed by at least 8 members of the Council (10% of the total number of members) who are not members of the Executive. One of the requestors must identify themselves as the originator of the request and the request must specify the nature of the grounds relied upon. A call-in request must be in the form of a written notice submitted to the Monitoring Officer and received before the published deadline. Either one notice containing all required signatures or up to 8 separate e-mails (as appropriate) will be acceptable.

The notice must set out:-

- (a) the resolution or resolutions that the member(s) wish to call in;
 - (b) the reasons why they wish the relevant Scrutiny committee to consider referring it back to the Executive, with particular reference to the principles of decision making set out elsewhere within this Constitution; and
 - (c) the alternative course of action or recommendations that they wish to propose.
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Part A – Items considered in public

<p>Item 4</p>	<p>The Future of Kettering Leisure Village</p>	<p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That the Executive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Noted the motion approved by Council on 22nd June 2023; ii) Agreed to receive a comprehensive business case, including associated options appraisal and details of any agreement between North Northamptonshire Council and Phoenix Leisure Management as set out in Paragraph 5.13; iii) Endorsed the agreement in principle to agree revisions to the provisions of the lease to support the site to remain open <p>Reasons for Recommendations: The recommendations, if agreed, will allow Officers and the Executive time to fully consider the implications of the Council stepping in to operate part or all of the site, alongside a range of other options for future operation and management of the site.</p> <p>Alternative Options Considered at this stage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do nothing and let the site close as the Council does not have direct control of it; • Pursue the various litigation options available to the Council to enforce the terms of the lease.
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		<p>Both options would not have prevented the site from closing on 3rd July 2023, which would have been of detriment to users of the site, the staff employed there and to the wider community. In addition, re-opening and mobilising an already closed leisure facility would present a range of additional challenges which may be avoided if the recommendations set out above are approved.</p> <p>The other option was for the Council to directly fund the operator, CCS. However, doing so would likely breach Subsidy Control restrictions and is unlikely to satisfy value for money and other fiduciary responsibilities for the Council, not least that it would place further pressure on the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan.</p>