

<b>Report on</b>	Greenvale Leisure Centre – Concession Pricing
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	No	x

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report</b>
1.1	To consider a recommendation that Greenvale Leisure Centre concession charges include a category for those with a disability in line with other MUDC facilities.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Background</b>
2.1	Greenvale Leisure Centre came under Council management on the 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2017. All existing admission prices, membership packages and concessions remained the same. However, after investigation it is clear that users with a disability were not offered a price concession or their carers.
2.2	A number of customer comments have also been received that the Greenvale LC concessions do not apply to those with a disability or their carers although they do cater for other underrepresented groups.
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main Report</b>
3.1	Council's agreed and established pricing arrangements at our other facilities currently provide concessionary rates for people with disabilities and/or their carer/s. Generally this includes free admittance for carers of people with a disability.
3.2	Under the DDA Council is required via the legislation to make 'reasonable adjustments' for people with a disability to allow them to access our goods and service provision. While concessionary pricing can be considered by some to be going beyond what the legislation requires, the DDA also allows for 'more favourable treatment' to be given to people with a disability in order to encourage them to use facilities.
3.3	Therefore providing concessionary pricing for people with a disability and/or their carers is an established practice and is within the law and does not mean similar concessions have to be provided to people without a disability.
3.4	It is therefore recommended that Greenvale Leisure Centre admission charges are amended in line with existing MUDC policy i.e. 50% discount for those with a

3.5	<p>disability as described in the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and in addition those carers accompanying the person with a disability receive free access.</p> <p>Consideration of the wider pricing policy with Greenvale LC will be considered as part of the Leisure Review.</p>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Other Considerations</b>
4.1	<p><b><u>Financial &amp; Human Resources Implications</u></b></p> <p>This may negatively impact on income for Greenvale Leisure Centre. However, it could also attract more disabled users to use the centre.</p>
4.2	<p><b><u>Equality and Good Relations Implications</u></b></p> <p>As above.</p>
4.3	<p><b><u>Risk Management Implications</u></b></p> <p>N/A</p>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>Recommendation(s)</b>
	<p>That Members recommend that Greenvale Leisure Centre admission charges for those with a Disability are set at 50% for those with a disability as described in the Disability Discrimination Act and that free use is provided to those carers accompanying the person with a disability.</p>
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Documents Attached &amp; References</b>
	<p>None.</p>