Argyll and Bute Council Internal Audit Report August 2022 Final

LiveArgyll

Establishment Visit

Campbeltown Aqualibrium & Library

Audit Opinion: Amber

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1. Executive Summary

Introduction

As part of the 2022/23 internal audit plan agreed with LiveArgyll management, we undertake establishment visits at LiveArgyll sites. LiveArgyll operate 26 establishments and we had agreed that 22 of these would be subject to establishment visits over a four year cyclical basis. As a result of Covid19, this delayed a number of Establishment visits which we intend to undertake over the next 2 years to bring visits back up to date.

1. Appendix 1 sets out the schedule of establishment visits which focus on the areas set out in exhibit 1 and we have agreed checklists for each area with LiveArgyll management.

| Building Exterior | Floors | Environment | Baby Changing Units | | |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Doors | Public Spaces | Signage | Income Collection / Facility Booking | | |
| Ceilings | Windows | Fixtures & Fittings | Floats | | |
| Walls | Elevators | Toilets | Banking | | |
| Swimming Pool / | Library | Sports Hall / Gym | Staff | | |
| Health Suite | | | | | |

Exhibit 1 – Establishment Visits Areas of Focus

- 2. The audit tests are predominantly observational so any issues highlighted are based on what was witnessed on the visit day. Due to the limiting nature of audit evidence we do not include recommendations in this report. Rather it provides an overview of issues identified allowing the LiveArgyll management team to determine whether any corrective action is required.
- 3. To ensure consistency of approach, the issues raised do not take account of any planned structural work in the short to medium term. For example, if we identify superficial structural damage we will still report it even if we are aware the establishment is due to be refurbished.

Background

4. On 19th July 2022 we visited the Campbeltown Aqualibrium and Library. The scope of the audit was to assess the site against the audit questions agreed with LiveArgyll.

Audit Opinion

- 5. We provide an overall audit opinion for all the establishment visits we conduct. This is based on our judgement on the extent to which there are issues requiring corrective action and how critical they are. We assess establishment visits as either:
 - Red Intervention is required to correct material areas of concern
 - Amber Issues identified can be managed through a programme of works
 - Green Issues identified are relatively minor
- 6. Our overall opinion for this establishment visit is **Amber**. This means that whilst we have identified issues we are not of the view that they post an immediate risk to service delivery. However, management should consider how best to address the issues within a reasonable timescale.

Findings

7. Exhibit 2 summarises the conclusions of the work and any observations made on the day of the visit.

| | Area | Strengths | Areas for Consideration | |
|----------|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Building | On approach the building conveys the | None. | |
| Exterior | | appropriate corporate image. | | |
| 2 | Doors | The main entrance doors open freely. | None. | |
| 3 | Ceilings | All ceilings are in good condition with no cracks or water damage. | There are several ongoing leaks throughout the building and although these have been reported and repaired to some degree they need to be addressed to maintain the functionality of all areas and minimise the risk to staff and users of the facility. | |
| 4 | Walls | All walls are clean and damage free, no posters on walls. Skirting is secure. | None. | |
| 5 | Floors & Public Spaces | Floors are predominantly clean throughout. | None. | |
| 6 | Windows | Windows are clean and tidy with no visible cracks or damaged frames and poolside windows open and close freely. No posters are on the windows. | None. | |
| 7 | Elevators | There are two elevators, which are in good working order and kept clean and tidy. | None. | |
| 8 | Environment | There is adequate lighting and ventilation and noise levels are acceptable. All lights are in good working order and bins are emptied several times a day. | None. | |
| 9 | Signage | Internal signage all in place. | None. | |
| 10 | Noticeboards & Leaflets | There is adequate and up to date noticeboards and leaflets. | None. | |
| 11 | Furniture, Fittings & Equipment | All furniture and fittings are in good clean order and not in a hazardous position. All sockets are in good working order. | None. | |
| 12 | Toilets | The toilets are predominantly clean and tidy. | None. | |
| 13 | Baby Changing Units | Baby changing units are in good clean condition. | None. | |
| 14 | Swimming Pool | The shop is well stocked and clean and tidy. The swimming pool area is well lit with no visible breakages to floor or wall tiles. The changing village is clean and tidy with no apparent breakages to tiles on the walls or the floor. The health suite is clean and tidy. | None. | |

| | Area | Strengths | Areas for Consideration | |
|----|--------------|---|-------------------------|--|
| 15 | Sports Hall, | The gym is clean and tidy adequately lit and | None. | |
| | Gym and | well equipped. All machines appear to be in | | |
| | Studios | good working order. | | |
| 16 | Libraries | All books are kept in good order on the | None. | |
| | | shelves and are clean and tidy. There is no | | |
| | | discarded stock inappropriately disposed of. | | |
| | | The public access computers are all in | | |
| | | working order. | | |
| 17 | Income | There are two vending machines which are | None. | |
| | Collection | emptied on a weekly basis by two staff. | | |
| 18 | Booking of | No events are held at the Aqualibrium, | None. | |
| | Facilities | however the hall can be booked for | | |
| | | meetings/conferences. | | |
| 19 | Floats | Floats are checked on a daily basis by the | None. | |
| | | Senior Duty Officer. | | |
| 20 | Banking | Banking is performed on a daily basis by the | None. | |
| | | Senior Duty Officer at the local post office. | | |

Management Response

LA fully adhere to all agreed maintenance protocols with Council partners. Water ingress issues have been regularly reported and whilst some remedial action(s) have taken place, the overall issue remains. Some provision has been made within the Council's Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP) for further investigative works.

| | 2022/23 | 2023/24 | Complete | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---------|--------------|--|--|
| Leisure | | | | | |
| Aqualibrium | ✓ | | \checkmark | | |
| Helensburgh Pool | | | \checkmark | | |
| Riverside Leisure Centre | | | \checkmark | | |
| Rothesay Leisure Pool | | | \checkmark | | |
| Mid Argyll Sports Centre | | | | | |
| Libraries | | | | | |
| Campbeltown | ✓ | | | | |
| Cardross | | | | | |
| Dunoon | | | \checkmark | | |
| Helensburgh | | | \checkmark | | |
| Lochgilphead | | | \checkmark | | |
| Oban | In progress | | | | |
| Rosneath | | | \checkmark | | |
| Rothesay | | | \checkmark | | |
| Tarbert | | | | | |
| Sandbank Office | N/A | N/A | N/A | | |
| Halls & Community Centres | | | | | |
| Queens Hall, Dunoon | | | \checkmark | | |
| Victoria Hall, Campbeltown | | | | | |
| Victoria Halls, Helensburgh | | | \checkmark | | |
| Corran Halls, Oban | In progress | | | | |
| Kintyre Community Education Centre | | | | | |
| Lochgilphead Community Centre | | | | | |
| Moat Centre, Rothesay | | | \checkmark | | |

Appendix 1 – Establishment Visit Schedule 2022-24