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FW: Leisure & Cultural Service Review of Bromsgrove District & Redditch Borough Councils

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Tom –

As discussed can you give me an indicative scope and price for the following piece of work, I imagine that most of it will be done as a desk top exercise and be based upon previous experiences/reviews with some work on the local issues to be considered and budget info:

- BDC & RBC are looking at possible options for the future delivery of the leisure & cultural services department to ensure services are maintained whilst achieving service improvement and saving to meet the Councils' financial positions.
- The Council wishes to commission a report that covers the possible options available ranging from maintaining the status quo through to externalising the whole service either via a competitive process or in house trust, with a variety of options in between to establish which option best suits the local needs, will improve what we offer, fits strategic purpose but reflects the budget position.
- We would want to know the pros & cons of each approach, the legal route and framework required Inc. costs, the service benefit that the industry can evidence, examples of others who have done this, timescales for changes and latterly the indicative saving that could be achieved dependent upon the service mix and options selected immediately and over a 5 year period.
- A list of services that could be included in an option and the justification for the approach will be required Inc. a scoring matrix that is clearly understandable and robust enough for member scrutiny.
- The preferred option that is developed should also show key considerations for members and senior officer around process, key decisions and implementation and show what needs to be achieved to ensure the option is sustainable and improves services. Examples would be pension costs, maintenance etc.
- Governance and contractual arrangements will be key so a strong section on the various options and what they offer elected members will also be required as will any legal implications for charitable status etc.

I think this covers what we are referring to but I've also included a very rough list of services that I have considered as possible ones for inclusion plus a very, very rough overview of a leisure trust so you can see the kind of thing that I have been considering.

Any concerns please let me know.

Thanks

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