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## GOHEBIAETH YN DILYN CYFARFOD Y PWYLLGOR

**Pwyllgor** PWYLLGOR CRAFFU'R ECONOMI A DIWYLLIANT

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y cyfarfod** DYDD IAU, 5 HYDREF 2017, 4.30 PM

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Date: 6 October 2017

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Dear Councillor Goodway,

**Economy & Culture and Environmental Scrutiny Committee: 5 October 2017**

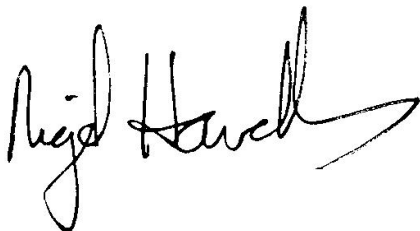
On behalf of Members of the Economy & Culture Scrutiny Committee, please accept our thanks for attending our meeting to discuss progress on delivering a multi-purpose indoor arena in Cardiff. Members found your presentation very helpful in illustrating the potential scale and function of the arena and in considering the various possible locations for the arena. Members have asked that I pass on the following comments and observations from their discussion at the Way Forward.

- Members are supportive of the proposal for a multi-purpose indoor arena, recognising the benefits that will accrue to the city region from increased footfall and enhanced infrastructure.
- Given the need to identify and secure c. £110 million, Members believe it would be sensible for officers to explore the range of funding options in case funding from the City Deal is not forthcoming.
- Members believe it is important that the business case for the multi-purpose indoor arena clearly detail the likely impact the arena will have on other venues in the city region. At our meeting, Members heard that the proposed capacity and specification for the arena means that it will complement the planned venues in Newport and Swansea. Members also heard that it may impact negatively on the Motorpoint Arena in Cardiff.

- Members are keen to be involved in further scrutiny of progress in delivering the arena, at appropriate stages. In particular, Members wish to scrutinise the following:
  - the preferred location, including receiving details of the assessment of each potential site (*covering cost, deliverability, regeneration potential, transport and infrastructure linkages etc.*)
  - the overall business case, including the economic assessment.
- Members were interested in your reference to Professor Philip Cooke's report, which put forward a vision for how Cardiff could use the competitiveness approach to develop. I understand South Glamorgan County Council commissioned this report in the 1990's. Members would welcome having sight of a copy of the report, if possible.

Overall, Members are supportive of proposals for a multi-purpose indoor arena and wish you well with your endeavours to deliver this. We look forward to scrutinising refined proposals at an appropriate point and ask that officers liaise with scrutiny officers to arrange this.

Yours sincerely,



**COUNCILLOR NIGEL HOWELLS**  
**CHAIR, ECONOMY & CULTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

cc Members of the Economy & Culture Scrutiny Committee  
Neil Hanratty  
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Date: 6 October 2017

Councillor Sarah Merry  
Cabinet Member, Education, Employment and Skills  
Cardiff Council,  
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Dear Councillor Merry,

**Economy & Culture and Environmental Scrutiny Committee: 5 October 2017**

On behalf of Members of the Economy & Culture Scrutiny Committee, please accept our thanks for attending our meeting to discuss likely changes in Adult Community Learning (ACL) funding in Cardiff. Members particularly wish to thank Isabelle Bignall and John Agnew for their informative presentation. Members have asked that I pass on the following comments and observations from their discussion at the Way Forward.

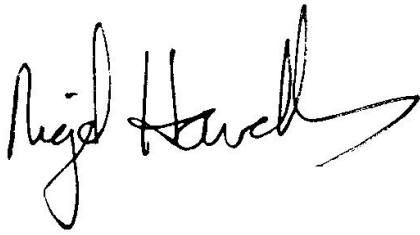
Members recognise that ACL in Cardiff provides much needed support for residents seeking work and for employers seeking suitable staff, as well as helping to tackle isolation and loneliness across all ages but particularly amongst older people.

With an overall reduction in funding and changes to the distribution formula for ACL funding, it seems unlikely that Cardiff will receive the same level of funding in 2019 as we currently receive. Members share your concerns about the potential repercussions, for residents and employers, of a reduction in funding for ACL. It was useful to have some of these highlighted in the presentation. Members believe it is important to capture demand trends for ACL, to inform future service design and to make the case for what constitutes satisfactory ACL funding for Cardiff.

Members recognise the importance of contributing to the Welsh Government's proposed consultation on funding options and we will make time on our work programme for further consideration of this topic; I ask that officers liaise with scrutiny officers to arrange this.

Once again, thank you to you and officers for attending this meeting –

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nigel Howells', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**COUNCILLOR NIGEL HOWELLS  
CHAIR, ECONOMY & CULTURE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

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