

North East Derbyshire District Council

Environment Scrutiny

17 November 2025

Wingerworth Lido

Report of the Scrutiny Chair for Environment

Classification: This report is public

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PURPOSE / SUMMARY

For Committee to confirm their position on the Motion from Council on 22 September 2025.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Environment Scrutiny Committee progress with the Motion as put forward by Council on 22 September 2025.
2. To note that a consultation would run from 3 November to 23 November 2025.
3. To note that a drop-in session would be held on 12 November 2025, during the consultation period, to allow members of the public to take part in the consultation.
4. To prevent any delay in determining recommendations for submission to Cabinet/Asset Management Board the proposed timetable would be:
 - 3 Nov – Online consultation goes live and key stakeholders to be contacted for written representations
 - 12 Nov – Drop-in session to allow members of the public to take part in the consultation and complete a survey if they wish
 - 17 Nov – Formal Environment Scrutiny – already in the diary and this meeting will be to inform the public of the current position
 - 23 Nov – Consultation closes, written representations will also need to be in by this date
 - Dec – Formal Environment Scrutiny – date TBC, this will be for evidence/consultation results to be reviewed with a view to making recommendations

IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

N/A

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

N/A

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

N/A

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

Decision Information	
Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: NEDDC: Revenue - £125,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £310,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i>	No
Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No
District Wards Significantly Affected	Wingerworth

Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) details:	
Stage 1 screening undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 1 to be appended if not required to do a stage 2 	No, not applicable
Stage 2 full assessment undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 2 needs to be appended to the report 	No, not applicable
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/> SMT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	No, not applicable

Links to Council Plan priorities, including Climate Change, Economic and Health implications.
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REPORT DETAILS

1 Background

- 1.1 At full Council on 22 September 2025 a Motion in respect of the Wingerworth Lido was referred to the Environment Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.2 The resolution was to:
1. Invite the Environment Scrutiny Committee to review the decision of the Asset Management Board regarding the future use of Wingerworth Lido
 2. Ask that Committee to seek the views of stakeholders, including those of local residents and groups, the Parish Council, ward members and the Clay Cross Angling Club before reaching a decision.
 3. Submit its conclusions and any recommendations to the Asset Management Board for consideration.
 4. To require Asset Management Board to report its conclusion and any action it proposes to take back to the Environment Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.3 Following the Council meeting on 22 September 2025 there has been a lot of social media interest in the Lido, as well as numerous emails being sent to Members and officers setting out individual views on the Lido.

- 1.4 Given the level of attention the Lido was attracting, the Chair of Environment Scrutiny requested an informal meeting to seek the views of the members of the Committee on whether or not to proceed with the Motion. The informal meeting took place on 27 October 2025. This meant that the initial discussion on whether to take forward the Motion, and where this would fit into the Committee's Work Programme, did not have to wait until the next meeting of the Committee on 17 November 2025.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

- 2.1 At its informal meeting on 27 October 2025 the Environment Scrutiny Committee Members accepted that the Motion put forward should be a topic for review, given its level of interest amongst stakeholders, local residents and anglers.

Consultation

- 2.2 The Motion clearly set out the need to seek views of stakeholders, the local community, the Parish Council, Ward Members and the Angling Club on the future use of Wingerworth Lido.
- 2.3 In response, and as part of the Senior Scrutiny Officer's role, in conjunction with the Chair, preliminary work was undertaken with the Information and Improvement Team to develop a draft survey. This draft was circulated to Committee Members prior to the informal meeting for consideration.
- 2.4 The Committee felt the draft survey aligned with the objectives of the Motion, focusing on the future use of the site and providing a framework to guide subsequent discussions and decisions.
- 2.5 Committee Members were keen to see a public drop-in session to allow residents the opportunity to complete the survey, written representations could also be accepted at this session.
- 2.6 The consultation would run from 3 November to 23 November 2025, with a drop-in session arranged for 12 November from 3pm to 7pm at the Council offices.

Proposed Timeline

- 2.7 To ensure timely formulation of recommendations for submission to Cabinet/Asset Management Board, the following timetable is proposed:
- 3 November – Online consultation goes live and key stakeholders to be contacted for written representations
 - 12 November – Drop-in session to allow members of the public to take part in the consultation and complete a survey if they wish
 - 17 November – Formal Environment Scrutiny – already in the diary and this meeting will be to inform the public of the current position

- 23 November – Consultation closes, written representations will also need to be submitted by this date
- December – Special meeting of Environment Scrutiny (date to be confirmed), this will be for the review of evidence/consultation results with a view to then make recommendations.

3 Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 The Environment Scrutiny Committee felt that given the level of interest and public views on the Lido, it would be prudent to move forward with the Motion without delay.
- 3.2 Any proposals put forward by the Committee at its informal meeting on 27 October 2025 are in line with the Motion, and any preparatory work prior and after that meeting reflect this.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 Not progressing with the Motion - this would not best serve the stakeholders and members of public interested in the matter.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title
1	Notes of Informal meeting of the members of the Environment Scrutiny Committee – 27 October 2025
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet you must provide copies of the background papers)	
N/A	