

## STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Community Services Committee  
**FROM:** Manager Community Services  
**DATE:** 8 May 2007  
**SUBJECT:** ASB Bank Aquatic Centre

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### PURPOSE/REASON FOR REPORT

To provide Councillors with updated usage figures for the above Centre.

### BACKGROUND

The Centre opened in September 2004 and in the first 10 months of operation over 150,000 used the facility.

### COMMENT/DISCUSSION

Council receives regular reports on the pool usage and the following are the figures for the first nine months of 2006/07 with the 2005/06 figures in brackets:

July	14956	(15907)
August	13839	(10544)
September	16536	(12738)
October	17506	(16473)
November	16595	(13860)
December	20650	(18335)
January	20803	(18335)
February	11729	(13385)
March	13285	(15189)
	<u>145899</u>	<u>(129606)</u>

While most months for 2006/07 show a significant increase in users, both February and March are down on the previous year. A possible explanation for this was the wonderful weather we had during that period.

In March the ASB Aquatic Centre Women's Triathlon was held and this proved very successful. The event focused on encouraging women to participate rather than having a strong competitive focus. Given its popularity they hope to run this event annually.

Aquatic programmes for March have included participation in the “Walk to School” campaign where once again Spike proved to be a popular attraction. Over 800 attended the Friday night wave raves during the month.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the information be received.

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Manager Community Services

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