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Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (for example, Observer, Trustee, Director)	Cllr Sandra Pitman
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Period this report covers (date):	September 2016 - January 2017
Name of Outside Body:	YMCA
How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?	Meetings are quarterly I attended meetings on September 21 & November 16 2016
Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council	Budget: major repair programme for St. Anne's Pool; health & fitness among Fylde residents.
	Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc
Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?	Chairman of Tourism & Leisure
In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?	Yes
Any further comments?	<p>St. Anne's pool continued to have issues regarding locker room facilities, floor covering and heating as a result of the impasse between contractor Crudens and the Council. Some progress has been made on the locker issue but other issues were still outstanding.</p> <p>The St. Anne's pool and both Lytham & St. Anne's sites have had very encouraging quarterly figures for pool usage and profitability as membership figures rise. Ansdell Arena facilities are popular, sometimes obstructed by the school's maintenance work when pupils are on holiday. Kirkham Rural Splash facilities remain the exception to a very positive picture as income has dropped and the maintenance of the ageing facilities continues to be an issue. Ribby Hall & possibly future developments at Mill Farm may also provide ongoing competition for this Kirkham facility. Surrounding parishes are now being approached to make regular contributions to provide much needed income.</p>

LOWTHER TRUSTEE REPORT 2016/17

I have attended all Lowther Trustees meetings and also supplementary meetings with regard the smooth running of this venue. I have attended tendering processes, presentations, shows and fundraising events and been included in the improvements notably to the roof and new seating.

This year was widely considered to be the most successful yet. All the events were extremely well supported and the turnout was high. All the events ran smoothly with no major problems with increased audiences. **In summary, the main strength of the venue is the balance between providing the community with high quality and enjoyable events.** Lowther will hopefully continue to grow and increase footfall and its place in the community.

Lowther Trustees aim to raise vital funds for important improvement to the building and the gardens. It hopes that the new and improved building will celebrate with a fantastic atmosphere at all the events and provides Lytham/Fylde with a wonderful theatre giving the opportunity to strengthen community links. The range of events and shows means there's something for everyone from all demographics. With a varied programme and LINKS to local festivals ie SGF and Lytham Festivals it is proving very popular among local residents and businesses in addition to bringing people to Lytham from all over the country, raising the profile of the town and providing families with a great day and evening theatre experience. In summary, Lowther is the perfect combination of a local theatre!

Along with this report there also is financial data that will be available to members along with a presentation by the Chair of SGF Tim Lince at a future Tourism and Leisure committee – but feedback from residents and visitors shows that Lowther is growing from strength to strength and it has seen the most successful year yet, both in terms of quality of the events and profile. The committee members were thrilled with the turnout at each event and the high number of tickets sold, which also accounted for the most frequent comment and that was that the atmosphere at all events was fantastic !

The response to all events has been reported and is again open for any members to ask questions and alleviate any queries they have.

In summary, Lowther is the perfect combination of a local theatre for local residents as well as promoting the tourist economy to visitors from a wider area.

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Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (for example, Observer, Trustee, Director)	Councillor Tim Ashton Director
Email	tim.ashton@lancashire.gov.uk
Period this report covers (date):	2016
Name of Outside Body:	Lytham Town Trust
How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?	Quarterly and quarterly
Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council	<p>Lytham Town Trust owns Lytham Hall and has granted a lease to operate the hall to The Heritage Trust Northwest.</p> <p>Parkrun takes place every Saturday morning at 9am attracting over 200 runners and volunteers</p> <p>The tearooms have been refurbished and prove extremely popular and therefore provide an important revenue stream for the hall.</p> <p>A large regeneration project is taking place both within the grounds and on the building at Lytham Hall. The works on the building were due to start in Spring 2016 and it was hoped that residents would see a considerable amount of improvement on site. However the Heritage Lottery Fund has withdrawn their grant and this has slowed progress considerably.</p> <p>The trust also operates the Assembly Rooms in Lytham and these rooms are not very well used and on occasion the council holds events there. The Trust is actively considering some business use on the ground floor and residential space on the upper floor both with a view to increasing revenue income.</p> <p>The Trust owns a residential property in Hastings Place Lytham and is in the process of modernising this property in order to increase income.</p>
	Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc
Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?	Paul Walker
In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?	Yes
Any further comments?	There is an ongoing dialogue with Fylde Borough Council and the Trust that operates the Hall regarding the use of the Capital Grant of £300k from Fylde Council which Blackpool Council Audit team are investigating; there will be a report at the next Tourism & Leisure Committee Meeting in March.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY FESTIVAL 2016/17

I have attended all SGF committee meetings and also supplementary meetings with regard the smooth running of this event and to observe OPENNESS. I have attended tendering process, presentations and volunteered at the event throughout.

This year marked the Eighth Annual St George's Day Festival and was widely considered to be the biggest and most successful yet. All the events were extremely well supported and the turnout was high. SGF raised in total £82,000 for the three charities; ABF The Soldiers Charity, Trinity Hospice and Love Lowther. All the events ran smoothly with no major problems with increased number of attendees to this year's festival compared to previous. **In summary, the main strength of the festival is the balance between providing the community with high quality and enjoyable events, whilst still maintaining fundraising as the top priority.** Overall, the St George's Festival of 2016 was a huge success and will hopefully continue to grow and increase in profit for the benefit of the charities involved.

The St George's Day Festival aims to raise vital funds for three important charities, both local and national, as well as putting Lytham St Annes and Lancashire on the national map and finally making St George's Day a national holiday. It celebrates with a fantastic atmosphere at all the events and provides Lytham with a wonderful opportunity to strengthen community links. The range of events means there's something for everyone from all demographics. From the Flag raising, the well supported parade, to the newly welcomed Comedy Night, not forgetting the most popular Lunch and Black Tie Dinner which provided an excellent platform to both network and socialize and which proves very popular among local residents and businesses. The Parade and Family Fun Day bring people to Lytham from all over the country, raising the profile of the town and providing families with a great day out. In summary, the festival is the perfect combination of fun exciting events, whilst raising money for three vital causes and it has continued to grow, year on year, with 2016 being no exception!

Along with this report there also is financial data that will be available to members along with a presentation by the Chair of SGF Tim Lince at the next Tourism and Leisure committee – but feedback from guests and committee members shows that this festival has been the most successful yet, both in terms of quality of the events and profit. The committee members were thrilled with the turnout at each event and the high number of tickets sold, which also accounted for the highest share of revenue. The most frequent comment was that the atmosphere at all events was fantastic !

The organisation of all events has been reported and is again open for any members to ask questions and alleviate any queries they have.