CABINET

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ITEM 7 - GENERAL FUND AND SPECIAL EXPENSES REVENUE BUDGETS 2014/15 AND 2015/16

UPDATE TO APPENDIX 3

Following the production of the agenda, an additional response to the consultation has been received from Castle Donington Community College as below.

3 Community leisure schemes (Ibstock & Castle Donington)	
Comments	Management Comments
Castle Donington College have thanked the Council for notification of the budget proposals for 2014-18 but have advised that they are unable to reduce their costs for 14/15 onwards based on the current usage of their premises. They point out that through negotiation, the services and hours open for recreational activities for the community have reduced to the bare minimum over the last few years and feel that any further reduction would lead to a real detrimental effect on the community, income to NWLDC and staff who work during those hours.	We thank the College for their response and do recognise the work that has been undertaken in previous years to maintain the cost of the service within available resources. We note the Colleges views that this matter will need wider discussion and we would be happy to initiate a meeting of relevant parties to discuss further. We also note the timescales in relation to staff contracts and would suggest that the District Council convene a meeting of all relevant parties early in 2014.
They point out that if the Council wishes to change its provision of recreational facilities at the college very careful negotiating will be required by all parties concerned ie the Parish Council, residents and the college to name but a few. The college would appreciate being advised of any changes as a matter of urgency as the fixed term staff contracts are due for renewal on 1 April 2014.	