8. QUEEN ELIZABETH II POOLS REDEVELOPMENT: PROGRESS REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to update the Property and Major Projects Committee on progress with the QEII Pools Redevelopment.

REPORT PERIOD ENDING 27 FEBRUARY 2002

GENERAL

The basement plantroom for the leisure pool is essentially complete and installation of the pool water services pipework to the room is progressing well.

The leisure pool has been water tested and tiling work is under way. The suspended ceilings and concourse areas to the pool are almost completed. Décor and painting work is progressing well.

Tiling to the teach and swirl pools has been completed.

The mezzanine floor fitout will be completed next week apart from the installation of the window to the north wall which will be completed by 12 March 2002.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES/APPROVALS REQUIRED

There are no outstanding issues or approvals being sought from this meeting.

PROGRAMME

The mezzanine floor fitout will be completed by 12 March 2002 to allow set-up for the FINA Masters Games at the end of March. Due to the addition of the mezzanine floor fitout into the main building contract, the completion date for the new leisure pool area and teach pool has been extended by two weeks to 30 April 2002.

COST CONTROL

The approved budget is \$20,949,306 (excluding the fit-out of the mezzanine floor).

The forecast total cost is \$20,561,253.

The total remaining contingency is \$388,053.

The remaining contingency will be required to cover future variations, commissioning costs, final account resolution, contractor's claims and currency fluctuations.

The monthly financial report is attached.

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Recommendation: That the information be received.