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Lords lives on

The City of Subiaco will continue to manage the popular Lords recreation centre, with council voting unanimously to retain the facility at its meeting on Tuesday evening.

The decision follows an independent review by Quantum Consulting Australia in order to examine the long-term future of the facility.

Mayor Heather Henderson said she was thrilled with the outcome.

“Lords is a Subiaco icon. It provides enormous benefits to all of the community, and the passion and commitment of our members is inspiring.

“Lords continually receives outstanding results in its annual customer satisfaction survey, last year scoring 86 per cent, which is considerably higher than the national average for recreation facilities.”

According to Mayor Henderson, there is something for everyone at Lords.

“We’ve got the whole package – a fully equipped gym, indoor swimming pool and group fitness classes, as well as a café and crèche. During the evenings, the whole centre comes alive with soccer, netball and basketball competitions”

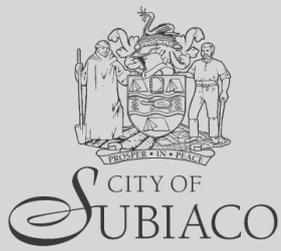
Lords started as an indoor cricket centre in the late 1970s then spent three decades as a health club and sporting centre until it closed in December 2008. The city took over the operation of Lords and reopened its doors on 4 July 2009.

Lords now welcomes more than 500,000 visitors a year and boasts one of the largest sporting competitions in Perth.

As part of the review, the independent consultant made a number of recommendations in relation to infrastructure improvements including a car park upgrade, which will commence shortly, and a roof replacement, pending budgetary considerations.

For more information about Lords, visit www.lords.com.au

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Notes to Editor

The City of Subiaco is recognised as a local government leader in a range of areas such as environmental and social initiatives, and long-term planning for the future. It is located in the inner metropolitan area of Perth and includes the suburbs of Subiaco, Daglish and parts of Nedlands, Shenton Park, Crawley and Jolimont. A major centre for employment with a diverse and growing business sector, the city provides important services including waste collection, town planning and public recreation facilities, to more than 19 000 residents. The city aims to maintain its vibrant sense of community and enhance the lives and well-being of everyone who lives, visits and works in Subiaco. For more information about the City of Subiaco, visit **www.subiaco.wa.gov.au**