1 DUNDEE SPRING GARDEN SHOW (AN214-2008)

Due to the failing attendance at Spring Garden Shows over recent years, the Leisure and Communities Department has undertaken an option appraisal to establish whether moving the Show to alternative locations would improve its prospects of being operated on a cost neutral basis. None of the options examined enable a scenario where the Show can break even. The department's main focus will be the continued successful delivery of the Summer Flower & Food Festival. In light of the fact that there is no revenue provision in the Leisure and Communities budget to subsidise the running costs of the Show, it is recommended that it does not take place in 2009 and that longer term options continue to be discussed including the possibility of sponsorship or partnering with other organisations to consider whether it is possible to re-establish a Spring Garden Show in the city for 2010. Suggestions for how this might be achieved will be welcomed.