REPORT TO: Executive Board Sub Committee

DATE: 10th February 2011

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director, Adults and Community

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Pantomime tender for

The Brindley

WARDS: Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To notify the committee of the acceptance of a pantomime tender for the Brindley in line with standing orders for procurement.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That the acceptance of the pantomime tender from Pele Productions Ltd of £258,900 for a period of three years be noted.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 A tendering exercise was carried out to procure a seasonal pantomime for the Brindley for a period of up to 3 years. Following a selection process only two companies declared their intention to tender. These were Pele Productions Ltd and New Pantomime Productions Ltd. Both companies were suitable and were invited to tender.
- 3.2 The combined 3 year totals for each submission were as follows: £278,500 £258,900

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

None

5.0 FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The tender represents the most economically advantageous to the council. The 2010 pantomime at The Brindley was secured at a similar cost and produced an operating profit.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

6.1 Children & Young People in Halton

None identified.

6.2 Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton

None identified.

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

None identified.

6.4 A Safer Halton

None identified.

6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal

None identified.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

7.1 The proposed company has run pantomimes for many years and ran 4 pantomimes concurrently during the 2010 season.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

8.1 The Brindley provides wheel chair access and viewing locations in the Theatre. There are also audio described performances and hearing loops installed for performances.

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

None under the meaning of the Act.