

Leisure in Eastwood: Looking to the Future – Frequently Asked Questions

Why is the council carrying out this consultation?

The Eastwood Park Leisure complex was built more than 40 years ago to provide facilities for residents in the former Eastwood District. Following four decades of use, the building and the swimming pool are now reaching the end of their natural lifespan. This gives the Council an opportunity to consider how we can best improve facilities to meet the needs of our residents for the next 40 years.

Why would a redevelopment of the current leisure centre (option 3) only provide a lifespan of 10-15 years?

Following the completion of a refurbishment and redevelopment of the current site, with the inclusion of an extension, the remaining building would still continue to deteriorate. Whilst the fabric of the building could be upgraded, this would not meet the same specifications as could be achieved through a new build facility. As such, the lifespan for option 3 is limited to 10-15 years.

Why is there not more detail about specific site options?

The purpose of this consultation is to get feedback from residents about the type of leisure facilities they want to see in Eastwood in the future. No site for a potential new leisure centre has been identified at this stage, and if this is the preferred option then extensive feasibility work on potential sites would then be required. The sites which are included within the consultation are included to provide an indicative list of areas which could be considered if option 4 was to be progressed. Many of the sites listed are large areas and further work would be required to identify specific sites at those locations.

Will the theatre be part of a new build facility on a different site?

Any proposal for a new build facility will include an option for a new state-of-the-art theatre.

How do you rank the priorities?

When ranking each of the options, number 1 should be used to indicate your first preference, number 2 your second preference, number 3 your third preference, and number 4 your fourth preference.