

# Winchester Sport and Leisure Centre Project

**NGB Meeting, 15/02/2018, 3:30 – 5:30pm**

<b>Present:</b>
<b>WCC:</b> Cllr Lisa Griffiths, Andy Hickman, Amanda Ford, Sarah Watson <b>LA architects:</b> Leigh Pullen <b>MACE:</b> Jon Hunt
<b>NGBs:</b> Rob Hardy (British Gymnastics), Avoen Perryman (England Boxing), Luke Hornsley (England Handball), Gaynor Toms (England Hockey), Ben Thompson (Hampshire Cricket Board), Sacha Nicolas (Hampshire FA), Rosa Gallop (Swim England)
Julie Amies (Energise Me)
<b>Apologies:</b> Peter Griffiths (Basketball England), James Hives (British Canoeing), Charlotte Malyon, Debbie Spindlow (England Netball), James Deem (Lawn Tennis Association)

<b>Project Overview</b>	
Q: Is KGV in trust?	Yes
Q. What is the cost of the centre?	£37.5m
Q. Will people outside of Winchester be able to use the new facility?	Yes, non-Winchester residents use to be encouraged, with some possible protected use.
Q. Where will boxing be moved to?	Reviewing options and have an active dialogue. Link new Centre to Boxing Club (marketing).

<b>Facility Mix</b>	
Q. Was a facility needs assessment conducted?	Yes. Evidence-based with Sport England guidelines and taking future population projections into account.

<b>Procurement</b>	
Q. Will any soft market testing be done?	Planned in March.

<b>Access &amp; Engagement</b>	
Q. Would Highcliffe residents have to walk all the way round to the entrance? What engagement will there be with local residents to encourage them to use the centre	Residents meetings are taking place.

<b>Storage</b>	
Concerns raised regarding sufficient storage provision, including gymnastics equipment, e.g. trampolines.	Storage has been incorporated according to Sport England Guidelines. Pool – 10% of pool water area / Sports Hall 12.5% of sports hall area / studios 10% of studio area. Council schedule of activities to define what equipment is needed to be stored. Review of existing storage at RPLC and considerations for all sports and activities to take place at the new centre to be included.

<b>Pitches</b>	
Plan required addressing shortfall of artificial pitches. Hockey pitch will need replacing in next 3 years.	Playing Pitch Strategy is being developed currently. Will decide what growth can be accommodated. Local plan goes through to 2032. WCC working on options for the future management of ATP and tennis courts at North Walls.

<b>Pool</b>	
Equipment – ropes, blocks etc	We will consult with clubs and NGBs on equipment to ensure that the specification is correct.
Swimming pool Seat numbers	250 spectator seats at first floor level with clear sightlines to the centreline of the first swimming lane. Pool surrounds to accommodate an additional 250 competitor seats during swimming meets.
Pool changing facilities	Separate wet changing, dry changing and hydrotherapy changing at ground floor and fitness suite / aerobics / spinning changing at first floor. Accessible changing and 5 changing places facilities are included.

<b>Sports Hall</b>	
Sports hall size. Issues with Handball and Hockey that their requirements for levels above community/training are not catered for. Handball strategy – potential review with Eastleigh for joint strategy.	Sport hall area is 34.5 x 40.0 x 8.3m high designed to Sport England specifications for an 8-court hall. Indoor Hockey – practice and training can take place in the hall however, community level competition (pitch with runoffs 42.0 x 22.2m) cannot be achieved. Handball – Sport England Sports Hall Technical Guidance Notes confirms 2 community level competition pitches with runoffs and 1nr club and 1nr premier level competitions can be accommodated in the sports hall. There will need to be some recognition that not all sports can be accommodated at national and international levels. Club level will be accommodated and available for training for most sports.
Concerns there is no primary gallery space, no view for spectators and for judges viewing/scoring.	Rebound screens / nets at ground floor allow viewing from the circulation / gallery space to the perimeter of the sports hall. Glazing could also be considered to first floor circulation spaces providing views over the sports hall.
What space will there be for cricket kit bags. Concerns regarding the storage of bags e.g. need quick access to kit for cricket.	Some flexible space available with the squash courts.
How many cricket nets?	Potential for 8 within the hall, with consideration for budget and demand to be taken in to account.
Larger external access doors for event equipment access?	Winchester City Council to advise if larger access doors are required for event equipment access. Cricket mats storage to be considered.
Lighting for events, should a televised event be recorded, would the lighting be suitable.	The mechanical and electrical engineering will be designed to accommodate primarily sport and sporting events. Other events can be accommodated with the

	recognition that lighting and ventilation will be designed to accommodate a smaller audience. It does not preclude the hosting of larger events.
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