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## **Changes made to Melksham Community Campus design following local community feedback**

Local community feedback has helped shape some changes to the Melksham Community Campus design.

The Melksham Community Campus team has made some changes to the design of the proposed purpose-built centre in response to comments made through the formal planning application consultation.

The planning application for the campus was originally submitted in March.

Some of the key changes include:

- Sports hall moved further away from Cedar Close boundary
- Reduction in external height of sports hall
- Relocation of sports hall stores to west elevation
- Some internal layout changes at ground and first floor
- Review of lighting strategy across the site
- Review of landscape strategy
- Removal of MUGA

Once the revised proposals have been formally submitted to the planning department, an additional four week consultation period will follow to give the public another opportunity to provide feedback. A planning decision is expected by the end of the year with the completed facility being delivered by mid-2021.

Wiltshire Council Cabinet Member for Communities and Leisure, Allison Bucknell, said: “It’s only right that we take into consideration and listen to the feedback we’ve received. This campus will belong to the community and we want it to meet their needs.

“We’re still making good progress and on track for our completion date, and the work we’re doing now will result in providing a campus of high quality that we hope will be fully embraced by those who will use it.”

The designs for the modern Melksham Community Campus include a six-lane swimming pool and a learner pool, fitness suite, dance studio, library and community hub, sports hall, a café and office space. This will be in addition to the cricket pitch, outdoor bowls, and the new tennis courts, which were recently provided on the Melksham House site.

Regular updates on Melksham Community Campus can be found at [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-environment-melksham-community-campus](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-environment-melksham-community-campus)

