

AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (2)

Meeting: Melksham Area Board

Place: Melksham Assembly Hall, Market Place, Melksham

Date: Wednesday 4 March 2020

Time: 7.00 pm

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Melksham Area Board, 4 March 2020 Chairman's Announcement: Melksham Community Campus

The principal contractor has been appointed to construct Melksham Community Campus, with work set to get underway this year – marking another significant milestone for the project.

Wiltshire Council has appointed Pellikaan Construction Ltd for the project, a company which brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise delivering sports facilities.

Pellikaan is working with partners Alliance Leisure, Wiltshire Council and the design team to further develop the designs and a detailed programme, with the aim of being on-site this summer.

The campus project has moved at a significant pace over the last few months, including listed building consent and overall planning permission being granted, and additional funding agreed by Wiltshire councillors.

The planning application was initially submitted in March 2019 but was subsequently changed and resubmitted in August following valuable feedback from the public.

Sport England awarded a grant of £1.6m for Melksham Community Campus, and they have played a significant role in the design development stages, ensuring the new facility will provide the required leisure facilities for the community.

The plans for the modern Melksham Community Campus include a six-lane swimming pool and a learner pool, fitness suite, fitness studio, library, sports hall, community meeting rooms, a café and office space. This will be in addition to the existing outdoor bowls provision, the new cricket pavilion and two new tennis courts. The campus project has also already successfully delivered the Oakfields football and rugby facility and Fifth Skate Park at other locations in the town.

Cllr Allison Bucknell, Wiltshire Council Cabinet Member for Leisure and Communities, said: "Last year was hugely significant for the Melksham Community Campus project and I'm delighted to be marking another significant milestone early in 2020.

"We are pleased to be working with Pellikaan Construction Ltd – they are an industry leader and, with the support of Alliance Leisure and Sport England, we are excited to see our long-held vision come to fruition."

Gert-Jan Peeters, Director at Pellikaan said: "We are very pleased to be part of the Melksham Community Campus project. We look forward to working together with Wiltshire Council to deliver the new centre. It's great to contribute to improving people's sports experience, and to provide people with a wonderful place to meet in the library and community hub."

Paul Cluett, Managing Director, Alliance Leisure "Alliance Leisure is delighted to have been appointed as development partner to Wiltshire Council to bring together a team of industry specialists who will deliver a great new leisure facility for the Melksham community."

Regular updates on Melksham Community Campus can be found at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/community-environment-melksham-community-campus



Melksham Area Board, 4 March 2020 Chairman's Announcement: D3 Bus Service Melksham to Bath

First have announced that they will be ceasing to run their D3 bus service to Bath after 4th April 2020.

As a replacement, from 5th April the Faresaver bus company will be providing additional journeys to/from Bath on their bus service X72, including the operation of journeys once an hour through Whitley and Melksham Forest.

Double decker buses will be used at busy times to reduce the risk of overloading.

Faresaver will also be operating journeys in the evening and on Sundays, that are being funded by Wiltshire Council.

Publicity for the new timetables is currently being prepared and is expected to be available from Melksham Town Hall, Library and Tourist Information Centre from 16th March. It will also be published on the Faresaver website (www.faresaver.co.uk) or by emailing the Wiltshire Council Passenger Transport Unit at buses@wiltshire.gov.uk.