

## **Leisure facilities – Our plans to invest and improve Consultation Analysis Report**

### **Community Area View – Calne**

A total of 63 responses were received, which is 2% of the total received responses. Of these responses 98% were completed questionnaires and 2% were letters or emails.

Of the total responses received 29% were male and 67% were female and 3% considered themselves to have a disability. A total of 2% of respondents were aged 18 to 24, 11% were aged 25 to 34, 36% were aged 35 to 44, 11% were aged 45 to 54, 27% were aged 55 to 64, 7% were aged 65 to 74 and 3% were aged 75 and over. Calne had the highest response rate for 35 to 44 year olds and 55 to 64 year olds.

Of the respondents 31% indicated an interest in being involved or running their leisure centre. A total of 49% of respondents visited a leisure centre weekly, with 33% daily, 11% monthly, 2% less often and 5% have never used a leisure centre. Calne had the highest response rate from daily users of the leisure centre.

In specific response to the questions;

- 93% agreed with the principle that providing high quality, modern facilities with a variety of activities will encourage more people to become more active and furthermore 59% of respondents strongly agreed
- 91% agreed that local communities should be able to directly influence and / or manage their local services and only 3% of respondents disagreed
- 87% agreed that the price of using leisure facilities can be a barrier to taking part
- 68% of respondents felt that pricing should be reflective of the size and quality of facility whereas 59% disagreed that a standard pricing policy across all facilities, irrespective of the size and quality would work for Wiltshire
- 85% of respondents agreed that the council should try to provide multi-purpose indoor leisure facilities within 20 minutes travel time from home
- 88% agreed that introducing car parking charges at leisure facilities could be a barrier to stop people taking part

In terms of activities the most popular are swimming (27%), using the gym (15%), fitness classes (13%), Badminton (3%) and Squash (3%). Other facilities within leisure centres also proved popular with the inclusion of café facilities (13%), meeting spaces (8%) and crèche (4%). The response rate to the inclusion of café facilities and meeting spaces were the highest responses from any community area.

There were 77 comments made, which is 2% of the total comments received with reference to the leisure review, with the following comments being the most highly stated;

- Happy with facilities/staff – 9%
- Greater/more variety of classes/courses/exercise options/timings – 8%
- Lower/affordable prices/cost, value for money – 7%
- Cleanliness of facility – 7%
- Keep the centre open – 5%

Interesting points with regards the replacement, refurbishment and devolvement proposals were;

- 4% believed the facility should have support from the council