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A brand new facility for the whole community

Work on Holt Park Active is well underway, with the new centre on course to open in October 2013.

Holt Park Active – a joint project between Sport and Active Lifestyles and Adult Social Care – is the first of its kind in Leeds. The new leisure and wellbeing centre will offer a wide range of inclusive facilities for people of all ages and abilities to be active,



socialise and learn new skills.

This is a great opportunity for the whole community to create something truly special and to be proud of.

Facilities

Latest developments



The designs for Holt Park Active have been finalised and can be downloaded from our web page. Go to www.leeds.gov.uk and type Holt Park Active in

the search box. You can also view the plans in the reception area at Holt Park Leisure Centre.

Over the last few months,

the foundations and the concrete superstructure have been put in, and the new centre is now becoming more three

dimensional. Work on the site over the summer will include the realignment of Holt Dale Approach, a revised bus lay-by, and the installation of new traffic calming measures.



Holt Park Leisure Centre closure

We have made the decision to close the current Holt Park Leisure Centre on 22 December 2012. This is due to planning regulations, to allow a long enough period of time to demolish the centre safely and to install a linking path to the district centre before the new site opens. Closing at this time also means activity terms will not be interrupted.

Members of staff at the centre have been speaking with current customers, including schools and clubs, to look at how and where they can continue their activities during the period between this closure and the opening of Holt Park Active.

Kirkstall Leisure Centre, Scott Hall Leisure Centre, Aireborough Leisure Centre in Guiseley and Chippendale pool at Prince Henry's Grammar School in Otley, are closest to Holt Park Leisure Centre. Where possible, these will be used to accommodate customers from Holt Park.

If you have any questions or need help to find alternative venues for swimming lessons or other activities, please contact Holt Park Leisure Centre on **0113 267 9739** or at **lsp.holtpark.sport@leeds.gov.uk**

Working with local groups

As well as managing the construction of the new centre, the contractor has been working with the local community, contributing to a number of projects. These include working with Holt Park Tenants and Residents Association and Asda clearing run down areas, and providing large planters to Kids Academy for planting-out by the children.

Local employment

We said we would encourage the contractor to work with local businesses. To date, of all subcontractors procured to assist in the delivery of Holt Park Active, 72 per cent are based within a 40 mile radius, with 66 per cent from the Leeds area. We are aiming for this figure to increase to 85 per cent as we move into the 'fit-out' stages, where local companies will join to decorate, install joinery and lay floor coverings.

To date, the contractor has employed three operatives who live in the Holt Park area, one of whom is also an apprentice now gaining valuable construction experience.

How to get involved

Drop-in public consultation – Thursday 13 September 2012, 4pm to 7pm

Please come along to this session if you have any questions about the Holt Park Active development or current centre closure.

If you'd like to be kept up to date with the Holt Park Active development please make sure we have your contact details, including your email address. You can leave your details at Holt Park leisure centre or email us at **wellbeing@leeds.gov.uk**

You can also follow the development on our web page. Go to **www.leeds.gov.uk** and then type Holt Park Active in the search box.

Or follow us on Twitter at **www.twitter.com/newholtpark**

If your organisation or business is interested in using facilities at the new Holt Park Active, please make sure you send us an email to register your interest and to tell us what you are looking for. You will then be invited to an information sharing event which we will organise over the next few months.

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