



Headteacher's Report to Wirksworth Leisure Centre Community Group

Wednesday 18 January 2017

I was happy to speak on behalf of AGS in support of Option A at the recent District Council meeting and pleased to see this becoming the preferred option due to the parity of approach with all four centres.

School's use of the Leisure Centre and the Leisure Centre's use of the school's facilities (minor hall) has continued despite the absence of the Joint Use Agreement.

I was heartened to hear in the District Council Meeting of DDDC's desire to re-sign a JUA ahead of the tendering process. This will demonstrate a firm commitment by both parties in the on-going success and use of the Leisure Centre.

Students at AGS, who use the centre and who are supported by staff from the school and the leisure centre, have continued to excel in various competitions. We continue to be able to provide excellent opportunities in a wide range of sports.

Our links with clubs who use the Leisure Centre continues to allow young people to access additional sport and recreation beyond school hours.

I have meetings arranged with the Chief Executive of DDDC, Dorcas Bunting, on 20 January and Ash Watts (Head of Community Development) on 25 January. I anticipate that both meetings will be extremely helpful in allowing us to work together in order to help achieve our shared aims.

I also look forward to being fully involved in the creation of the specification prior to the tendering process and hope to be able to play an active role in the tendering in order to help DDDC secure the most appropriate future management of the centres.

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