## New Dover Leisure Centre

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### Consultation Responses July 2016

# Summary

- The first round of public consultation on plans for a new Dover Leisure Centre took place from 4-24 July 2016.
- The consultation was advertised in the Dover Express, Dover Mercury and East Kent Mercury (7 July), at <u>www.dover.gov.uk</u> and through social media.
- A series of events were held, including a workshop for user groups, sports clubs, town and parish councils (7 July).
- Drop-in sessions were held at the existing Dover Leisure Centre (14, 16, 19 July), and at Whitfield Village Hall (21 July).
- We also attended the Dover Community Regatta (23 July).
- The plans and questionnaire were also available on <u>www.dover.gov.uk</u>
- There were 673 responses to the consultation.

#### Do you support plans for a new Dover Leisure Centre?



#### Which facilities are most important?



#### Do you have a view on the proposed site in Whitfield?



#### Modes of travel



## How often would you use a new Leisure Centre in Whitfield?



### What do you like most about the plans?

New Location Variety Climbing Wall Property Town Changing Rooms LOOK District Leisure Centre Wrong Clean Increased Gym Parking Bigger and Better Facilities Football Pitches Pool Community Size Exercise Whitfield Range of Activities Spin Studio Up-to-date New Modern Soft Play Area Plans

Word cloud based on analysis of most frequent words/phrases in free form responses

### How could the plans be improved?

Far Changing Area Squash Courts Bus Service Changing Rooms Health TOWN Ice Rink Dover Public Transport Facilities Ensure Pool Fit Sports Jacuzzi Location Important Leisure Centre Bowling Alley Tennis Courts Secure Looks Consider

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# What happens next?

- We're reviewing all your responses to identify key issues of concern and areas for improvement
- We'll look at the plans again to see if we can make any changes to respond to these issues
- Proposed plans for the location and facility mix will be presented to DDC's Cabinet in September
- Subject to Cabinet approval a second round of consultation will be held in late Autumn