

Leisure Developments through PFI

As part of the Private Finance Initiative (PFI) scheme, which will result in all the Secondary Schools within the District being rebuilt or refurbished, Bassetlaw District Council is in negotiations with NCC and developers as to the incorporation of Leisure facilities within the developments. Three of Bassetlaw's prime leisure sites are on joint use school sites owned by NCC:

- ▶ Worksop Leisure Centre (Valley Comprehensive School)
- ▶ Retford Leisure Centre (Retford Oaks High School)
- ▶ Bircotes Leisure Centre (Bircotes & Harworth Community School)

Following consultation with Sport England on local people's views, a set criteria for facilities to be included in the project has been passed to NCC. In the main the objective is to replace 'like with like'. Additional school facilities such as gymnasiums, artificial turf pitches, sports halls will also be available to the public outside school hours.

The developer working with NCC and BDC on the scheme is the Transform Schools consortium, led by Balfour Beatty. In total the scheme will bring in £126.6m to regenerate the schools and leisure facilities.

County Councillor Mick Storey, NCC Cabinet Member for Education and BLSP Board member said:

"This is a very ambitious project, which will provide five, modern, well-equipped, state of the art schools for the 21st century, which the young people of Bassetlaw deserve. We are delighted to be working with the District Council to provide comprehensive leisure facilities for the residents of Bassetlaw. We will deliver the services better together than we ever could apart."

Proposed Leisure Facilities

Worksop

25m Swimming Pool
Small Swimming Pool
60 Station Health and Fitness Suite
Reception and Social Area
Dance Studio
GP Referral Room
Changing Rooms
Outdoor Tennis Courts

Retford

25m Swimming Pool
Small Swimming Pool
60 Station Health and Fitness Suite
Reception and Social area
Dance Studio
GP Referral Room
Changing Room
2x Squash Courts
Outdoor Tennis Courts

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