

Title of Report: Partial Closure of Templemore Sports Complex to accommodate installation of new gym equipment	Officer presenting: Director of Health & Community Author: Head of Community Development & Leisure
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1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations

- 1.1 To seek Members' approval for a partial closure of Templemore Sports Complex (TSC) Gym Area for 6 days to facilitate the installation of new gym equipment.

2 Background

- 2.1 In February 2019, reinvestment of £189,807.24 of gym equipment at TSC was approved following of the completion of Council's contract with Competition Line on the 1 January 2019.
- 2.1 The current fitness equipment at TSC is over 10 years old, requires significant upgrading, and has ongoing maintenance problems, with some parts now obsolete and call out charges when out of contract will be significant.

3 Key Issues

- 3.1 As part of the procurement exercise for new fitness equipment at TSC, a 'Buy Back' discount for current fitness equipment was included in this process.
- 3.2 The dynamics of extracting the current fitness equipment out of TSC and installing new fitness equipment is significant given the weight of equipment and 3rd floor location of the gym area at TSC.
- 3.3 In addition to this, a 1-day staff training exercise is planned to ensure all staff are compliant in respect all health, safety and exercise prescription processes associated with the new equipment.
- 3.4 It is proposed that the gym area in TSC is closed from Sunday 21st April 2019 to Friday 27th April 2019 (inclusive) and reopening on Saturday 27th April 2019 to facilitate extraction of old equipment, installation of new equipment and associated staff training requirements.

- 3.5 The dates outlined in 3.4 have been identified as the least disruptive time for customers as this falls during the Easter break when facilities will be closed on Sunday 21st and Monday 22nd April 2019, and usage during that week is historically lower.
- 3.6 Current members at TSC will be offered the alternative of attending Foyle Arena or Brooke Park gym facilities, and an enhanced class programme at TSC during the closure will be facilitated in order to minimise any disruption.

4 Financial, quality, Legal, HR, Improvement and other Implications

- 4.1 It is anticipated that any financial impact will be minimal given the time of year planned for this work, alternative measures being put in place for members, and enhancement of facilities and services long term as a result of this reinvestment.
- 4.2 There are no HR issues as staff will still be required onsite during this closure.
- 4.3 There are no legal implications.

5 Recommendations

- 5.1 That Members approve a partial closure of TSC gym area from the 21st April 2019 to the 26th April 2019 to facilitate the installation of new gym equipment.

Background Papers

None