

# Andover Swimming & Water Polo Club

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Chairman: Nathan Williams

Affiliated to ASA South East Region

February 15<sup>th</sup> 2017

Dear all,

## **POOL CLOSURE LATEST**

Dear all,

We deeply regret that there were no discussions with this club by TVBC prior to the planning application being submitted or prior to the news that the pool is likely to close on April 1st 2017. We have therefore had to react quickly in response to this:

1. We have formally objected to the planning application and have encouraged members to make their own representations. We are pleased that many did so
2. We have met with TVBC Leisure Officers on February 10<sup>th</sup>. See previous update.
3. We've had our first contact discussions with new leisure provider Places for People on February 13th.
4. We attended the exhibition, and have encouraged members to attend.

We are now currently:

1. It is TVBC's intention to have a temporary pool. To ensure this happens, we are lobbying all TVBC councillors on the necessity of a temporary pool, and are pushing them to keep the current pool open until the temporary pool is ready.
2. Should there be a gap between the pool closing and the temporary pool, we have been asked to supply TVBC with details on swim sessions and numbers attending. This will allow TVBC to assist in obtaining pool time in other pools. This work will be done this week.
3. However instead of relying on TVBC, we are making our own inquiries with 12 pools in the area.
4. We are submitting a technical note to TVBC leisure officers on our requirements for the new pool ranging from more spectator facilities to ensuring compliance with ASA regulations. We will continue to push for a larger pool.
5. We are liaising with the ASA
6. We are writing to Sport England to ensure they are aware of all the facts here. They can be powerful within the planning process.
7. We will keep you regularly updated on facebook and on Monday nights at poolside and the balcony.
8. We will encourage all to attend this clubs AGM on March 3rd for further updates.

If you have any further queries, please contact:

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Kind Regards

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