

**What additional indoor or outdoor facilities would you like at Harwich or Brightlingsea Sports Centre/s, and how can the existing facilities be improved?**

There are some many activities that could be put on and have been on at Harwich. Why does Harwich have issues keeping instructors? Where is tennis coaching, badminton, netball, volleyball, basketball, all of these facilities for these sports, but no instructors - there has been instructors but sadly no longer.

Tending leisure need to look for better ways to keep people using their facilities and not having to travel miles out of town

More for 11 year olds.

A 3/4g football pitch.

The floor in the sports hall needs upgrading. It's terrible on the knees.

Also, there's a clear lack of investment on the "school side" of Harwich sports centre compared to the reception area. The main hall roof leaks when it rains and it needs a serious makeover.

I am afraid this isn't a good survey without the correct answers/options for some of the questions. In my case I was a yearly member at Brightlingsea but cancelled recently due to the poor quality of the gym equipment there, the excessive cost and the low standard of cleanliness. Also, there's not even a proper changing room. There's just no way that the fees can be justified, maybe if it was half the cost it would be approaching decent value for a gym. I can't comment on anything other than BSC as a gym.

A dedicated studio for classes at Harwich. Modern changing rooms and toilets.

the tennis court are under used. i would like to see organised adult training and play on these courts.

We use Brightlingsea for fitness classes, and, during winter months for indoor cricket training. If the tennis/netball courts were to be lit, it would enable additional outdoor training during winter months

I would like to be able to access a gym during school hours, but the gym with the weight machines etc is used by the school.

Tennis classes  
Swimming pool

Swimming pool and climbing wall Brightlingsea

Highly unlikely one would be built but I would be a regular user of a swimming pool in Brightlingsea.

With a full time job and young children I don't have time to travel to clacton and often the lane swims aren't convenient times.

Up grade tennis courts and include paddle tennis courts

Better gym machines

Basketball courts

Early morning classes , upgraded facilities.

Increase accessibility to the squash courts at Brightlingsea - glass back to court on the right.

I am a member of Brightlingsea walking football team an updated g4 pitch replacing the very old astro turf at Brightlingsea would really help, as the current old pitch is inadequate for us to use safely. We have many local teams in Brightlingsea and the surrounding towns and villages who would all benefit from a better artificial pitch. Also an advantage of keeping a local artificial pitch is a reduction in travel which then helps to reduce our carbon footprint which I'm sure we can all agree is very important.

It would be advantage to have a 4g pitch installed this would be used by Hockey, Football and Walking Football and would provide good income for the centre and excellent facilities for the town.

Proper and safe netball courts I have to travel to Colchester the University and Clacton. Brightlingsea it's not fit for purpose how do the school teach netball properly I'm an ex county player it is very important to teach both boys and girls just look at the media next year's Commonwealth games I could go on. Indoor and outdoor facilities walking neball for the older age needs to be inside and Back to Netball for all ages. Contact Louise Taggart England Essex East she will tell you what court and floodlight standard are needed . Thank you

The equipment in the Gym is old and regulaly breaks down. Need new equipment

I would like to see a 3G/4G surface for all grass based sports ie football, hockey, walking football etc instead of the current surface that is now of poor quality. I believe it would encourage a lot more people to take part in team sports and would benefit the local community.

We do not have a good quality 3 or 4g pitch that could be used for community sports.....especially for my age group...eg walking football which i enjoy. This type if facility is of course suitable for a wide range of sports.

If the facilities were improved I would consider the cost of membership was worth it.....but to have to pay the same as the clacton facilities with no where near the same standard is not acceptable.

There are lots of people who travel out of town (environmental impact) to access a quality gym.....which the current one is not. Public transport to clacton is poor. The town has grown in size with several very large new housing estates....the viability of improved sports facilities, inside and out, would im sure be attractive and therefore financially viable.

Although not on the plan the outdoor Astro surface at Brightlingsea is not fit for purpose and has been worn out for many years.A new 4g surface would bring in much needed revenue from teams/clubs wishing to train on it every week.

General updating.

Classes provided are good at Brightlingsea but the outdoor courts need total revamp

I would like to see:

earlier opening times.

bigger free weight and cardio studios

Indoor swimming pool

a 3G Pitch would be a good start and some kind of regular 5 a side football leagues. At present the only Tendring facility I use is the indoor swimming pool at Clacton due to the lack of alternatives. As a child I used to use the tennis courts, squash courts and badminton courts but it is difficult to know when I can turn up to use them. Also, it would be good if a proper Tennis surface could be used as opposed to the stoney courts as they are now.

The existing astro turf facillity at Brightlingsea is well passed its sell by date. There are holes in it, litter all over the place and the goals are in poor repair. I also feel that it is not acceptable for such a largely used facility to not have one set of 11 a side goals and just one pair of 7 a side goals. I would imagine that the local football club are the heaviest users of the facility, with a good source of income for the centre and yet it doesn't feel as though this is valued. The centre are perhaps fortunate that the club has no suitable alternative throughout the winter and thus the complaints end up falling on deaf ears. I would add that the staff are always very friendly and happy to help where possible so that is in no way a reflection of them.

The main question that Tendring Council should be asking throughout the period of this consultation is how can we support the local community, including its local sports groups to

encourage more children to participate in sport and what facilities are required to make that happen!

I used to play indoor football at harwich regularly ever Sunday evening, but now the the sports centre I'm not open on a Sunday evening and we have nowhere to play indoor football.

We just want the sports hall open to public. Why its been closed is unacceptable- no good reason.

Install a sprung wood floor in the sports hall as the concrete one in place is dangerous.

Extend the opening hours on Sundays to pre-pandemic level

Paddle tennis courts as nearest in maldon. Full size 5g football pitch as lots of football teams in the area. Update to the reception area making it more of a sports club with live sport on TVs etc.

I wouldn't change it. It is ideal for use, we play football in there. Price is good, staff are friendly, it's especially good in poor weather months, where I am there more with other groups to play football

4g pitches could easily be constructed at rear of additional sports hall. The changing existing changing rooms could then be refurbished for the second time in the last 30 years but more importantly you might end up with a modern facility that could actually generate some interest, money and well being in the community

Walking football

Buy bring the Center up to date (ie ) new sprung flooring in sports hall so out dated

4g football pitch, harwich showers are poor.

Bring up to the 21st century provide a 4 g pitch subsidise every one who uses it

3G football pitch

A bigger sports hall for basketball/ netball game or indoor football. Cover over the Astro for winter use. Ice rink, more seating area at the pool side, bigger gym.

All fine

I find the Brightlingsea gym in a poor location. The size makes it impossible for it to grow customers. The equipment is often in a poor condition/damaged for long periods of time. The cost for gym membership is way above contending gyms.

More variety in the big hall!

Daytime use of the sports hall.

New sports hall flooring.

Modern changing rooms.

Paddle Court.

Modern decoration throughout, not enough has changed since I went to school in the 80s.

These aren't the only squash courts in the area, there are courts at Frinton tennis club too.

Pilates classes

Indoor pool.

Upgrade equipment in gym

Longer opening hours(particularly early mornings)

Brightlingsea is so outdated and the equipment is often broken. You can only use one side of the gym until evening time which isn't suitable. It's very expensive for a very dated old gym.

They would need to be open earlier in the mornings and later into the nights.. also costs need looking at.

I can access a very good multi gym and sauna 24/7 by driving to Colchester and this is any time entry. Even with travel costs its still loads cheaper than it would be to use the one I can walk to that is only open when I'm at work.

My answers are more towards the gym facilities at Brightlingsea. They are quite poor and the whole gym area needs updating and improving to encourage people to use it. I've went to join a few times but the actual gym is quite a depressing are in my opinion. However as a family we are at the centre regularly for kids clubs etc which are great.

Newer, cleaner equipment, including steps, mats, barbell weights as these are looking shabby

Inclusion of disabled members of the community, I appreciate this would probably incur more costs as the programme would need to be bespoke but at the moment I feel excluded.

A separate room for yoga classes, at the moment we share the hall with badminton and table tennis, as you can imagine it's not relaxing at all. The ceiling is awful it's just not very pleasing on the eye.

Wider gym facilities Brightlingsea

There's a serious lack of affordable activities for children. Trampolining has been cut, there's no gymnastics or coached sports clubs like tennis, badminton or boxing. For someone like me who can't drive, I don't have the option of visiting a neighbouring town, my children go without. Such a shame, it could be a real asset to the town.

I have always been a casual

User. I was keen to start classes there now my children are older (they take dance classes and used to do trampoline classes there) but due to covid I haven't signed up yet. When I am comfortable going inside again, I would like to use it. I can't afford a private gym price and I wouldn't travel - I don't have the childcare to allow it. It's invaluable.

I don't understand why you are taking a survey now, when people are still unsure about sharing these facilities whilst COVID is still present. I would assume footfall has dropped, but that is not surprising, nor probably indicative of the use of the Centre pre COVID. Question 15 is only half a question, as if another operator were to take over the chances are that the cost of using the Gym will rise, though it may mean that broken equipment would get repaired sooner. For someone like me, a price rise could be a make or break, as would travelling to another area! I hope there is not a hidden agenda behind this survey. Brightlingsea Sports Centre is vital in this growing Town. It's is used by all age groups and with the population growing as it is mote important than ever.

If the gym was more competitively priced, especially considering that it has limited opening hours, so many more people would use it. I can't afford membership to the gym there.

Brightlingsea Sports Centre does really cheap rates for children and this has been incredible for my four children who use it most weeks, sometimes several times. They go to the gym (one membership, one payg), play tennis, badminton and basketball. One of my sons is a ballroom dancer and Brightlingsea Sports Centre is a huge part of his success. This is the only place he has to practice and so a massive part of why we like living in Brightlingsea. Without the opportunity to practice there in the hall he wouldn't be able to dance and compete at the level he does (National level). We are so grateful to have this facility so locally and at an affordable price as we couldn't afford to go anywhere else.

My only complaint is that the dance studio has still not reopened despite covid restrictions all being lifted. Staff say that they are not allowed to let people use it yet. My son would desperately love to be able to use that space again.

Please don't close it down or sell it. It is so important to this community who are so cut off.

#### Improved Hockey Astro

I used to use BS sports centre for keep fit classes/spin etc but the facilities are below average and it was expensive. I now go to Bannatyne in Colchester. BS facilities need a serious face lift. We also need things like boot camp/ running clubs and they need to be well advertised.

#### Sports for teenagers to attend

Opening at 9am is a huge negative, a lot of people like to use other gyms that open from 5am or 24/7 gyms like anytime fitness

The Astro pitch at Harwich is in a terrible state, an improvement in that area would be fantastic

For Brightlingsea an indoor swimming pool, with adult specific times as well as the opportunity to teach Brightlingsea children to swim

As above. Up to date equipment, proper squat rack not a Smith machine, able to access during school hours

#### Netball

Aerobic groups

Classes for less physically fit

More evening classes

I think this is a vital part of our community and should not be taken away from all the children and adults that use this facilities, the class my child goes to has at least 30 children, in and that is without the other classes, it would shame on the council take thus facilities away especially for mental health issues and exercise is a part to help recover.

Needs cleaner gym equipment and some changing rooms, not a toilet to change in

Update the existing facilities as they have been neglected for YEARS!

Better hockey pitch

Indoor pool in Brightlingsea is essential

Cheaper gym membership, longer opening hours

I use the Brightlingsea Gym and weights room. Having visited Clacton Leisure Centre, it is quite apparent that Brightlingsea are the poor relation with lack of investment. There are not many exercise machines in Brightlingsea, often many are broken and awaiting an engineer. The main reason for their failure I suspect is due to their age, unlike Clacton who brims with state of the art equipment. To elaborate on this, for example, there is just one cross trainer. Often there is a que to get on this and often members are disappointed. Luckily it is the running machines and training bikes that seem to brake, there are 3 each of those so although inconvenient you are usually able to get to use one eventually. If the cross trainer failed there is no other.....

As an active member of the local sporting community, I am aware of people's frustration with your facilities over the years. People often question why I pay monthly membership when much of the equipment is old or broken. Many of my friends travel to use better facilities.

Your gym is a vital part of the community and gives access to exercise to many that would not travel elsewhere. With a little bit of thought and investment, I am sure you would attract back

many that have found alternative facilities. Support Brightlingsea better as a community facility. Please, do not sell it off to some organisation that would increase prices or change membership conditions over time to make large profits.

If you go and look around any gym in Colchester you will see the high level they're operating at, for example the university gym is 10 times the size with all the best up to date equipment for £30pm, pump gym in Colchester has even newer more up to date equipment in a larger space along with saunas in the well equipped changing rooms and is open 24 hours a day for only £20pm, this trend goes on with all the other gyms in the area. The price for Brightlingsea Sports Center is the same as for Bannatynes Health Club on Whitehall in Colchester, which has a swimming pool, saunas, jacuzzi, state of the art new equipment and various fitness classes or Leisure World in Colchester which includes everything including all pools, classes, gym and aqua springs. I could not believe how bad the Brightlingsea Sports Center gym was, it's like the kind of set up a teenager would have in their garage. Even the staff that showed me around it and told me the price were embarrassed and admitted it's all old out of date equipment which is split over two small rooms, one of which you can only use out of school hours and it's well overpriced. I would struggle parting with £10pm for those facilities. Needs updating completely and the price needs to be lowered drastically.

An indoor swimming pool in Brightlingsea

I have taken up walking football and an all weather surface would be brilliant.

I cannot comment on Harwich. The Brightlingsea centre needs to install a full 3G pitch to replace the ageing astroturf and upgrade their tennis courts to make them playable - presently neither is really fit for purpose. I cannot understand why there has been no reference to these facilities in this questionnaire. The Q15 is meaningless without qualification of costs - if the level of service remaining the same means access, provision and costs are the same then it would make no difference who was operating it would it?

The center is a vital part of Brightlingsea Sports provision and should be upgraded to meet the needs of a growing population.

The equipment in the gym has been there for 20 years!! It's very old

Improved Gym at Brightlingsea and facilities to move to Dovercourt pool from Harwich Sports Centre

The Brightlingsea gym is great, but the machines need some updating.

Brightlingsea needs a 4G pitch outside. The current sand based one is no longer suitable and is becoming dangerous

Better changing rooms. Modernised decoration and facilities, it's very dated. Staff are excellent - couldn't ask for better customer service and interaction than what I experience at Harwich Sports Centre

The outdoor pitch is very old and needs replacing with a modern football surface.

Astro needs replacing. Indoor bowls would be good. We definitely need to keep a Sports Centre in Brightlingsea and keep improving it. It is essential to the town. I can't use it at the moment due to health issues.

there are very few things that would be better but they are as follows.

1. paddle tennis court. it's a great game and loads of locals want to play it but do not want to travel miles to play.
2. make the tennis courts available for a longer period of time, could even look at putting in a "bubble" over the courts.
3. replace the floor in the sports hall.

4. if possible cut the ties with the school as to use of the hall. it can cause problems and the school do not look after it as well as the sports centre staff.

More fitness classes in the morning for those of us who cannot attend after school.

The facilities need updating. Better promotion of what's on would encourage more users. Better variety of classes with newer equipment.

Flooring in the sports hall can be improved and decorated

Skating, hire, late opening

Sauna, steam room. Tennis courts that be used all year round. more badminton courts. make it cheaper for over 60's to use all facilities not just swimming. All classes include in one card and not separate, eg. yoga, pilates ect. They go to wick lodge for squash courts.

Daytime access for classes or badminton, dance classes ect. new changing rooms, decorated, new flooring in squash courts.

sauna and steam room

Sauna, steam room, Jacuzzi

Bar, Sauna and steam room and tennis courts

Frinton has squash and Wick lodge. more coaching for juniors (advertise) Tennis retro on the court. water fountain

Tennis courts all year around with a bubble for winter. Steam room

better lighting

new Sports hall floor, new lighting, air con, dance studio, 2nd hall- daytime use, new ladies changing room

more squash courts, mulit sports

Padel court, new sports hall floor

2nd hall for use in daytime, padelcrt

padel court, boogie bounce class

Spa, extra squash courts, padel court, 4g pitch, new sports hall floor

updated sport hall and flooring, more squash courts, larger changing rooms, sports hall for day hire use.

to question 18- Excellent service not building. The changing rooms are the same as when i came to school here, no upgrade ever. clacton have numerous upgrades newly refurb everywhere- sports hall is grim

The Astro trig is important to local sports and the tennis courts are importing local people in Brightlingsea

More fitness classes like yoga and Pilates. Family fitness classes I can attend with my children or a childcare facility or area they could stay in while I used the faculties. As a single mum it can be difficult to get out and use the sports centre.

Indoor swimming pool.

Having recently moved to Brightlingsea I would say that the facilities at the Sports Centre are poor and tired. I played walking football pre-Covid but obviously it wasn't possible during the pandemic.

I play tennis but there are no courts in Brightlingsea apart from those at the Sports Centre which are (in my view) unplayable so I play at Wivenhoe Tennis Club.

Sports provision by Tendring in Brightlingsea is as poor as I have ever experienced in the various places I have lived in over the past 50 years. The Angel Centre in Tonbridge is far more welcoming and a centre of the community. There needs to be some updating of the facilities and some energetic management to promote the place in a post-Covid era.

The lack of any playable tennis courts is disgraceful in a town of this size. I gather that the previous tennis club on the Rec was destroyed in the 1987 hurricane and the Council was indifferent to it being re-established. Wheathampstead in Hertfordshire (a town of 5,000 people) has three floodlight courts and junior tennis court. Kimpton, (a village of 2,000) has three courts alongside a cricket pitch whereas Brightlingsea - with a population of 10,000 has none.

Any village in Kent or Hertfordshire has better council funded sports and leisure facilities than are provided in Brightlingsea Tonbridge and Malling in Kent provide two excellent centres within easy travelling distance at Larkfield and the Angel Centre in Tonbridge. Admittedly travel is more difficult in Tendring but as an isolated sizeable community Brightlingsea is badly served.

The astro pitch at Brightlingsea needs to be completely updated it is so outdated and dangerous. In bad need of replacement. This would be the hub for youth football use in Brightlingsea

More exercise classes like HIIT as currently these do not exist in Harwich/ Dovercourt. The classes seemed to be aimed at those who have a lower level of fitness. Lifestyles at Dovercourt is also very limited.

There is no mention of the outside AstroTurf which is constantly in use by local youth sports teams? They are very well utilised

It is unfair to review these so close to the pandemic when not able to operate as normal. I look forward to attending my weekly classes there as well as the gym as well as my daughter using it for both karate and dance. The holiday sessions were a great idea and maybe expanding on the use of the space available to host parties and other events would make it more useful.

New AstroTurf on pitches and grass pitch for football. Gym has outdated equipment it needs replacing and adding to so it can compete with other facilities

Astro to be updated at Brightlingsea as it is in a shocking state

Extend weekend opening hours. Create a club facility for tennis - many members of Wivenhoe Tennis club are from Brightlingsea. Due to lower levels of facilities/poorer opening times give a reduced monthly membership fee compared to Clacton for Brightlingsea residents, or add access to Brightlingsea Lido as part of the membership.

This questionnaire does not address the needs of peoples and families who access the centre for provisions of privately run activities e.g karate, ballet. There is no other suitable location for these activities to be held within brightlingsea and withdrawing access would be beyond detrimental to the community. Lack of local access to activities has direct impacts on health and welfare with lower socio economic groups being most adversely affected.

More choice of exercise classes and on different days yoga/Pilates eg

Improvement needed on the Astro, I have used this for the last 9 years coaching various groups from Brightlingsea Regent, in the winter months the surface is simply dangerous and not fit for purpose.

More class variety eg Zumba

The brightlingsea sport Center is great I used to go everyday to the gym. The staff are great I now play football on the Astro every week 2 times a week. The Astro is great only thing they could improve is letting students from the school go on there at lunch, as a lot of rubbish is left on there. It can be very dirty also with bird poo rubbish and not much sand left.

Advertising as i only knew about spin. Childcare.

Need to be open for longers on days needed.

having things that are flexible times, dance classes that are during the day.

Childcare - Accessible for adults to bring children

Zumba, classes with weight and age requirements.

Crossfit.

Larger facilities with appropriate levels of equipment, integrated INDOOR swimming publicly accessible 6am-10pm, on a par with Colchester Sports centre. Having facilities overpriced and unavailable during school hours is pointless given the average age in Brightlingsea.

Fun activities for families

More advertising - Social media. More signs. Re vamp inside and outside

Brightlingsea sports centre is excellent I attend many classes, and enjoy meeting up with friends, it would be good to have more classes like spin with different instructors like it was about 6 years ago.

Can drive, no cars prefer to use cycle.

Would be good if the Tennis at Harwich could be available through to end of Sept as weather perfectly good to play then?

2 Badminton courts for daytime use (because i work night shifts) Upgrade sports hall and changing rooms. Padel courts

Paddle board court. Extra squash court. Referb sports hall and changing rooms, New sports hall floor.

Harwich needs bringing up to date- shower facilities in mens updates a while ago but not ladies near squash courts. Facilities near hall are way out of date. maybe a sauna/ steam room like Clacton. Wick lodge also have squash courts.

Question- Why is discounts available for over 60's when paying on the day but no such discount for loyal members that pay monthly.?

Outside tennis courts should be available all year. Even if school is not using them a net could be kept in sports hall and put up as needed.

Another squash court.

Upgraded GH.RMS

New sports hall floor - too hard/ dangerous.

Additional hall for day use.

socialise + eat + drink after

Facility upgrade

2 glass courts + a gallery to view

Padel court

New hall floor - very hard and slippery.

Redo changing rooms.

Gets very hot in hall

Air con would be great

Changing rooms need upgrading. Have been the same since i was at school.

Lighting could be better

Fan

The Harwich Centre desperately needs up grading, the floor should be sprung, the air conditioning needs upgrading, or looking at, in summer it gets pretty warm in there. I run a Badminton club on a Monday night and things are just not ideal.

Question 13- Not true, Wick lodge Clacton  
More day time classes- prop not cost effective.

Nothing!!!

Friday night class or Sunday morning class.

day time classes on sundays

it has everything i think i need

The Machines & equipment need updating to make it value for money. They are very old. The classes are good, staff are great but the gym needs updating.

Some newer equipment. the mats are a bit grim & smelly!  
but love it here, great staff!

in my experience the facilities at the Brightlingsea sport centre are well run and the services are excellent.

for myself it has been and remains an essential component of my health and well being. Two years ago i had a hip replacement and stopped exercising. The multi gym ensured i made a full recovery to normal in the space of a year!

Brightlingsea is such an important part of the local community-especially for people who lack a car. it is a safe space where people can help themselves to maintain their physical and mental well-being.

swimming indoors

new better equipment, need investing some money it these places.

Machines need to be updated. less weights machines in the lifestyles gym and more fitness machines. never use machines as most break down regularly.

could be cleaner and more value for money

Quite a lot of the equipment in the gym is regularly out of order, which means i come less.

can be improved by updating gym equipment such as the machines. why does CLC get all the upgrades and not BSC or HSC?

Spend money on new equipment!

swimming pool

I want a heated all year round, covered swimming pool. It could provide scuba diving lessons, water polo, aqua-size, early years swimming lessons. This list is endless!!

more gym equipment available in the day. i cant use the other room in the evenings.

use Clacton only

gym is too small and often equipment is out of order. more often that not something is not working. People seem to want to use the same piece of equipment while others equipment is not being used. A survey on what people use could determine this.

enjoy small quiet gym. don't enjoy the "testosterone" fuelled environment. existing facilities could be improved by having all equipment working. Brightlingsea staff are great!

outdoor changing for swimmers

need a better gym

I USE THE BRIGHTLINGSEA SQUASH COURT AND ITS THE ONLY COURT APART FROM ESSEX UNI, I WOULD HATE TO LOSE THIS FACILITY. I HOPE THE SPORTS CENTRE CAN REMAIN OPEN

step class, DDmix dance class

YOGA AND OVER 50+ KEEP FIT- SOCAIL ACTIVITIES

More classes that we used to be able to access at Manningtree ie Hiit, fit ball etc. Brightingsea seand Clacton too far as I work. Not acceptable to do Pilates when people are playing badminton. We need the same access to classes that they have at other centres

Pilates class Any exercise for retired persons during the day  
External a Pétanque Court

Always- check disabled access! At Clacton we all que to use 1 disabled baby change facility as the two end, larger area toilets have low seats and not even not even a bar at the side to help us stand up. Also, name of activity! 50+ Inclusive edges out disabled (5 that i recognise stopped coming) as people focus on 50+ ignore "INCLUSIE" and we are kicked and jabbed by people swimming breaststroke up the middle lane, get a face full of water by people who splash. Are edged out by couples swimming alongside each other, racing. Adults inclusive and a gentle suggestion to the very competent able racing sporting to time couples would make every minute of the only 2 50+ inclusive swimming sessions instead of the 5 minute at start and 10-15 at end before the sprit couple and boy races arrive. I only keep going because i have no other option and i am too stubborn to be forced out! I have informed swim England and Tendring authority disabled access must be improved.

Some people will/ can go to Clacton, Walton and Harwich e.g. to aqua size so people rely on local LC wont get a space.

Massively detrimental, physically and mental well-being.

Opening times - needs to open earlier in the mornings and weekends and open later at weekends. 3 family members currently use Colchester due to the inflexible opening times in Brightlingsea i would like the gym yo open at an earlier time in the mornings, please at Dovercourt.

I'd make sure the staff are really good, genuinely friendly, helpful and not obviously bored, perhaps from doing the same job too long. Brightlingsea has some really unpleasant staff my experience over a number of years, who aren't motivated at all. It's like they're saying "ive got a job on the Council and I'm only here for the salary"

Better maintenance of some of the gym equipment. Some items, eg leg press machine, are consistently out of order for long periods.

Some sort of ventilation in the summer would be valued greatly.

the centre is looking tired, it is really need a major update.

Great customer service

the floor in the sports hall could be less hard for sports such as badminton.

invest in the facilities, update showers, share money equally between all the centres.

Modern Facilities

Hockey atro

New sports hall

sports hall and changing rooms are unchanged since 1970s, looking very tired and dark and generally neglected. Harwich also is in dire need of a studio for dance, yoga, Pilates etc. we shouldn't have to travel to Clacton for classes such as bounce.

I went to the Harwich school back in the 80's and the sports hall still stands the same. There hasn't been any improvements. Playing badminton you stick to the floor. There are plenty of times i have gone to take a shot and nearly fallen over. We shouldn't have to play badminton, whilst a class of yoga or Pilates is next to us. Its off putting.

There should be another room for classes (fitness).

The changing rooms are disgusting and haven't been updated or improved since i was a young school girl.

The Harwich and Dovercourt high school has been updated, so its about time the sports hall follow suit into the 21st Century.

The opening times are terrible. The equipment is very dated

Table tennis league

Swimming pool open earlier in the morning at harwich

Happy with facilities as they are.

Sufficient I would have thought for 90% of general public's needs

A better outdoor all weather pitch to allow more training during the darker months for the local teams to train on. Floodlighting for the tennis/netball courts again to allow these facilities to be used all year.

Less emphasis on having to sign up for membership. It is impossible to find out online the cost of a badminton court, for example, until you've signed up as a casual member & gone the whole way through the booking process. Booking further in advance would be helpful. Cafe.

i am sure these centres are as useful to locals as Clacton is to myself. I do not think I would use a gym that is not local or a swimming pool.

1. the skate park needs investing to ensure the young riding around the car park & playing in the baby park have an area for activities.

2. tennis courts need investment and a coach.

3. courts at the back need investment.

every part of Tendring needs an leisure facility- we have lived through a pandemic and to raise our health please invest .

More working machines are needed at Brightlingsea.

Greater liaison with the Harwich Primary Schools Sports Association

For Brightlingsea Cricket Club this is an essential resource. It provides localised facilities that have a low carbon footprint for our membership. Concessionary costs for youth are vital to be affordable and we would be concerned that prices would increase and concessions removed if taken over by another provider.

Brightlingsea has a higher than average obesity issue that other parts of the UK. The half term and holiday activities provide a low cost way of children keeping active. Children can walk to this provision making it an attractive venue to be used. Many clubs use the facilities and the location ensures that people can use it easily. Public transport is a real issue in Brightlingsea. Accessing other areas of Tendring require at least two buses and costs a lot of money for people on low incomes.

I would be concerned that if management was changed to the Sigma Trust the community focus of the management would change and would be diverted to meet the needs of the school. Charges would increase and concessionary policies would be removed.

This facility helps people to keep active, and Sport England and indeed Tendring should be looking to create environments that support 'more people to be active more of the time'. Any change to this overall aim would be detrimental to peoples access and experience of activity in Brightlingsea.

As someone who organises cricket activities for young people in Brightlingsea, the sports centre is essential to run activity when the weather does not allow us to work outside. It would be great to have more opportunities to block book in the main hall but without the small hall at least, running activities for local young females and disabled young people, as we currently do, would not be possible. The facilities could do with some refurbishment but costs need to be kept at a reasonable level to avoid stopping young people from less well-off families from becoming excluded. As a club we cannot afford to run sessions to keep young people engaged and active if we cannot cover the costs of hiring facilities.

#### Padel courts

I stopped my membership at Brightlingsea due to the high cost, outdated equipment, space, opening and access times.

Any kit that requires power quite often was in need of repair, and the age and state of the free and assisted weights was worrying and did not instil confidence that I would be safe using them. Along with these issues, only being allowed in the weights room after 4pm is frankly absurd given how much is being charged. I am currently paying a lot less a month at a gym that I can visit before 9am, has excellent changing rooms, has up to date equipment that is regularly serviced and if faulty, usually repaired within 24 hours.

All of the focus is placed on the centre in Clacton, the other centres are well overdue a facelift, equipment replaced, rooms extended and longer opening times.

some good hardcourt tennis courts would make a good addition

#### Happy with what's currently on offer

##### Morning classes

I assume you are considering whether to get rid of Harwich Sports Centre, which is ridiculous. The provision of leisure centres in this area is dreadful... nothing in Manningtree!! It was bad enough when there was no swimming pool, but to have lost it completely is terrible given the rapidly growing population. The lack of squash courts in the area is surprising, it's a popular game and provides a great opportunity for families to exercise together. I'd like to see netball and hockey being made available at Harwich along with gymnastics (perhaps the M'tree gymnastics classes could move there). After school activities such as racket club would be great too. Roller disco could move to Harwich too.

Please engage with the local squash community to get grassroots squash going

The Astro is widely used by the youth teams at Brightlingsea Regent, amongst others. An upgrade on this would be a brilliant investment.

##### More classes. Indoor pool/spa

Lifestyles gym needs equipment that works. It has always had second hand out of date equipment...it is like the poor relation of Tendring..brightlingsea people matter and this is our only option for a gym..the older generation need these facilities..we talk about reducing our carbon footprint yet you will encourage people to drive out of town to access other facilities..it's disgraceful 😞

The equipment at Brightlingsea Sports centre is extremely poor, iv always felt like we are the poor relative when it comes to Brightlingsea as they always seem to be getting hand me downs from everyone else, there is also far too much in these gyms half of which dont work properly (it's seems a bit like a dumping ground)

Brightlingsea needs to keep their gym yet your talk of closing is letting people down

##### Better equipment

The equipment at Brightlingsea needs upgrading. There's always equipment not working and takes ages to be fixed. It's like Brightlingsea is the forgotten about gym. With this being the only gym in the town it should be thriving as no real competition. In my opinion it should be treated the same as other gyms like clacton. Brightlingsea has the opposite to be a great place to work out if money is spent to improve it.

##### Holiday sports and activity clubs available adhoc

The astro at Brightlingsea (last time I went) is still the old doormat type. 3g pitches would get used I think. At the moment it's way out of date.

The tennis courts are also in bad condition. All the nets sag and there is litter everywhere.

For me to use the fitness gym it'd have to be open earlier or later, current hours have never worked for me

A wider range of evening fitness classes (Zumba used to be great fun) for working people, and for only one class to use the sports hall at a time - currently the Yoga class have to contend with users of the basketball court making noise and chatting, which isn't conducive to relaxation and focus on breathing. This has put me off attending the class. Can the Yoga and Pilates classes not be held in the Dance Studio instead, where it is a smaller environment and quieter?

I have used Brightlingsea centre at least once a week for the last 30+ years for badminton and basketball and always found that being local is a great benefit. The changing rooms are often not clean and the showers not always working. Although I appreciate it is a shared facility with the school, improvements for the public are necessary.

I have run a very successful basketball club at Brightlingsea every week for nearly 30 years. The team are mostly local residents and funding and sponsorship grant applications have focused on the community benefits that this activity provides in a remote area with few alternatives nearby. National campaigns are calling for children to be more active and the club has just started a junior session which is proving very popular.

I fear for the future of the club if Brightlingsea centre is not available and for the health and well-being of the local community as I doubt many would seek alternatives that are so far away.

Update toilets and showers.

Gym needs updating

A swimming pool would be excellent.

Existing facilities are very good and well maintained under the current operator.

A better all weather surface. The current pitch is old & in a bad condition

As a youth football club , we block use the sports centre throughout the year ,

This is very much a part of our youth set up ,

And would be a major blow to us if this was to close .

I attended the yoga at Brightlingsea Sports Centre for several years but, now that I am retired, I prefer to go during the day. However, at a time when there is serious concern about the physical and mental wellbeing of our population, this 'consultation' should not be used as an excuse to close the facility. I am sure that many people will be avoiding places like the sports centre whilst Covid infections continue to be high.

Love the Astro turf pitch but think this may need replacing

There has been a badminton club since the Colne school opened. It is incredibly important to keep badminton going for all age groups. It is integral to Brightlingsea and the local villages.

Astro needs to be updated to an artificial pitch, tennis courts need modernising, gym facilities need an overhaul.

An indoor heated swimming pool would be amazing.

Inside Roller Skating events for roller derby matches/training or roller discos. Outside the artificial pitch needs modernising desperately, it's dangerous to use.

I cancelled my membership with the Brightlingsea Sports Centre due to a chronic underinvestment in the equipment and facilities. The gyms in particular had equipment in various states of disrepair, often broken for extended periods of time and not maintained to a good quality. In addition the facilities also have reduced opening hours compared to other facilities, for example no early morning sessions and only 4 hours open on a Sunday. I feel that the council has

not provided the same level of investment that it has in the centres in Clacton or Walton and continue to charge the same price for membership, this leads to a second class service for the residents of brightlingsea compared to other areas within Tendring. If the services are to be commercially viable for the council to provide then they need to be treated as a commercial entity, with the investment that is required.

adding a health & wellbeing club.  
adding music to aerobics classes.  
change of music at aquasize.

Something similar to 'Active for Life' which runs (used to run) at Clacton Leisure Centre. This combination of sports - badminton, table tennis and outdoor tennis was excellent.

indoor tennis

The quality of some machines are not up to scratch, some must be 40 years old.

Down time of machines; runs sometimes from weeks to months.

A company who are on the ball for repairs

Should be free for O.A.Ps

Staff are always helpful

Brightlingsea gets Clacton throw-outs.

better equipment and more money put into the centre.

Extra weight machine's and more up to date ones, the one we have at brightlingsea are old and keep breaking!

Better equipment

sit up machine in Clacton

Since COVID I have been using the sports centre as Pilates has been relocated there. Harwich is in great need of a place for Pilates, HIIT and other studio work out sessions. This is a massive issue for many who would love to see more studio sessions. The floor in the sports hall is very cold indeed and can make exercise even on a mat difficult. As the cold travels up and causes cramp.

Please please create a studio space for Pilates, yoga, HIIT, bounce and some other fitness classes in the Dovercourt area.

Dovercourt bay lifestyles facilities are not suitable for spin and studio classes. They have to move the bikes for other sessions.

I believe that the brightlingsea sports Center could really benefit from upgrading the Astro turf football facility to the more up to day 3G pitches this would really enhance the space for the community and would be the best facilities in the area.

Upgraded outdoor area 3G all weather pitch for local teams to use for training and recreation, basketball courts, tennis courts, netball, hockey, football all need access to these facilities, bringing people in to create jobs and money for the town and local area.

If Brightlingsea was to be closed it would mean that all the football clubs that use it for training they would have no where else to go which would mean that youth football in Brightlingsea could not carry on due to the fact to the one place they can train is going to be closed.

As usual total madness.

Not only do we use the sports centre for sports but also parties and the 3G courts play a big part of our local football clubs as it is one of the only places with flood lights for winter useage!

Tennis courts  
3G football pitch

With all the use the Astro gets in Brightlingsea with colne students and numerous of different clubs it would be great to have it turned into a 3G football pitch. It may be more appealing for others to come and use it as the Astro has been around for many years now and is looking very dated and run down.

3G football pitch, netball classes, tennis lessons

New gym,  
Astro needs updating  
Swimming pool

The astroturf is very old and worn out. It needs a 3G pitch put in ASAP.

Daytime classes

Grass rather than astroturf and updated gym equipment

The astro turf should be replaced with all purpose pitch so can be used day and night all year round and paid for by users. The council should keep and modernise this sports centre to provide for current and future generations and healthy living. It would be a disgrace should council funding not be put towards a community asset when it is ploughed into numerous housing projects that do not help the community nor keep the community healthy and active.

Improved 4G outside surface at Brightlingsea would be excellent

A swimming pool

Working bikes and equipment, not taken away instead of repaired ..

B,sea new Astra turf would be helpful

If we dont have the astro, then 150 youth football players wont be able to train.

Replace Artificial pitch Brightlingsea

Have a indoor pool

Swimming pool

Replace astro with a proper 4g facility

A separate sports centre that is not attached tot he school and is more private for adults.

Tennis court, updated facilities, better /3d astro pitch.

New Astro turf it's in a bad condition, and is used by many kids from Brightlingsea football club for training in the winter months it's also used by Bentley football teams.

I don't know, as not a user, due to age, 87, but every possible facility needing improvement should be made. If necessary for new facilities fundraising within the town might be worth considering, if there is inadequate finance - it is a generous and community-minded town.

Question 17 not applicable but had to tick as no opting out available.

Better astro surface

Outdoor football pitches, the surface could do with improving along with bigger and better goals.

Change to 4g pitch as current is too sandy and slippery for football ,, run keep fit classes when kettle bells was on this was really good

Swimming pool with jacuzzi  
More modern gym at low cost  
Athletics track  
3G pitch  
Tennis courts

3G pitch, and a decent gym with up to date cardio workout machines, tennis and swimming pool

Swimming pool ! Dance classes for adults! This place is invaluable to the community, we cannot travel so far out of town to attend a gym.

Swimming pool  
Sauna  
Jacuzzi  
Classes in the day

Our community needs the sports centre. I've used it at some of that hardest times in my life and it means a lot. Don't close it!!

Brightlingsea:

1. Changing rooms and toilet/shower facilities are absolutely disgusting.
2. It smells of urine as soon as you enter the premises.
3. The whole place needs a complete revamp and overhaul.

Brightlingsea- update to the Astro tuff.

New 3G or 4G Astro turth for outdoor activities football

Tennis courts  
Proper size basketball court

The changing facilities are rarely open for public use, and when they are they are often in very poor condition. Showers often broken and floors dirty. It's a school but it could definitely be improved to bring it to a reasonable standard.

Basketball courts. Please don't close Brightlingsea Sports Centre. I use it all the time with my mates. Cl

Luck of paint at Brightlingsea. Don't close it, we need this facility. My son plays basketball there for 2 teams. He would be devastated without it.

To have a four g pitch and better goals

Small hall floor is in a shocking state and in desperate need of sealing as it is so slippery and dusty. It's almost impossible to play basketball on and potentially dangerous. Also the brackets on the walls are a hazard when playing. Changing rooms are always filthy but we are told they are the schools responsibility. Surely if you are offering a service it's your responsibility to ensure that they are clean and tidy?

Sports hall is important to me and having access to the facility is important as I could not do my physical activity

Brightlingsea sport centre is an important part of the community we run Juinor and senior activities without these facilities will be contributing to inactivity. The council and the community should be reducing inactivity and encouraging physical activity on a regular bases getting people to do the minimum of 150min a week.

This preventative work and helping people to lead a healthy happy life

Closing these facilities will be signing a death certificate to the community

Please don't close them keep them going

The shower facilities could be improved, but all of the rest of it is great!

Properly surfaced outdoor netball court. Better showers.

Changing facilities dated and small

Larger basketball court in Brightlingsea

Sauna /. Steam room

3G football pitch

Shower facilities at Brightlingsea could be improved.

Question 15 is unclear: which provider (private) and at which costs (higher, I guess); so can't be properly answered.

Also, Brightlingsea has outdoor pitches which do not feature in your survey.

Brightlingsea gym is too small and feels packed if more than a few people use it at the same time. The equipment feels dated and has second hand equipment.  
Can use a modern gym at Ballantynes for the same monthly fee.  
No private locker space - it is in the lobby!!  
The gym could benefit from an upgrade if they are going to attract more people and grow the business.

Q8 doesn't offer the option to indicate we use the Astro pitch at the back of the school. If this was 3G it would be fantastic and attract a lot more use.

Swimming pool, but unlikely to happen! Brightlingsea sports centre is an integral part of the community. Were it to close the impact would be massive most people over 30 aren't prepared to travel into Colchester or elsewhere to exercise in its place. They are far more likely to stop exercising. I exercise at the sports centre incredibly frequently but I wouldn't have the time to travel 30 minutes each way to go to classes and as such would stop using a gym. I would be concerned if someone else took over the sports centre that within a very short period of time the membership costs would rise and quality of service would plummet.

More classes, like zumba , a second legs bums and tums session , spinning back on a monday. I have been attending the sports centre for 20 years and have attended all the different exercise classes over the years and the most popular ones seem to be taken away. Clacton have a lot more choice but who wants a total of 50mins drive plus petrol and driving alone in the dark and sometimes frosty nights in the winter to attend a class that could be taking part at brightlingsea. Good advertising, cheaper classes I feel would be the way forward.

The hours that fit around the school means the facilities are not always accessible.

Flexible membership and paint options, and expansion of the gym equipment and area. It is too crowded. They also could do with much better marketing and social media presence. Make the information easier to access online. Almost everyone has a smartphone these days, use that to their advantage. Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Website e.t.c.

Brightlingsea sports centre really needs a revamp. It hasn't changed since I left school (2008), it's just deteriorated and the equipment is ancient. It would be so lovely to have a local gym in Brightlingsea that had all of the new weights and multiple machines that all of the modern gyms have. I think being a sports school and college really lets itself down with the gym area.

It would save a lot of people driving out of Brightlingsea to attend gyms, I think it's missing out on a lot of potential gym goers. I work from home in Brightlingsea now, and it would be nice to have it on your doorstep rather than driving to colchester or clacton. I think it would also benefit from an indoor swimming pool. Thank you.

Better reception service and for it to be open longer in weekends

The sports centre could do with a refurbishment.  
Needs to be open longer in the weekends.  
More clubs for children, or better advertisement for these(perhaps I'm not aware).  
Classes that Mum's can go with their children(who can also participate).  
Better refreshment facilities and seating area.  
A previous manager was very dedicated and knowledgeable, this gave you confidence if you needed help or advice.

Better tennis courts at Brightlingsea with coaching for kids and adults

New equipment and the centre needs revamping its very dilapidated and run down I have now joined David Lloyd gym as there is much better facilities there. It's a shame that Brightlingsea being so close would be a lot easier to get to but it doesn't provide a good service.

the gym is far too small. most people want use the same equipment at the same time. The equipment is out of date and needs replacing every time I go in there something is out of order. since there are two other sports halls in the vicinity why can't the dance studio be a replacement for the gym? The gym is now a two part affair and part is closed to the paying public during the school day and is sometimes used by the school.

Very happy with Brightlingsea Sports Centre

More use of tennis courts over the weekend. Teenagers (and some grannies ) don't get up early at the weekends! I like to play tennis and I am 79 and want to play at weekends with my grandchildren!

I feel the gym needs to be bought up to date a bit with some better and more varied equipment

An indoor swimming pool would be a huge asset to Brightlingsea and would complement the Lido. Along with this sauna and jacuzzi facilities would be useful.

Basketball 🏀

My needs are met at Brightlingsea

Greater timetable of activities

Brightlingsea - 3G pitch, tennis courts, swimming pool. The facilities in general could do with being upgraded, toilets, reception area etc.

Brightlingsea-a lick of paint

It's great to have more of these places to encourage friendship and healthy life style. It should have a good cafe and a swimming pool. Then i would be a member and go 4 times a week

I would like the current facilities to be improved. I value the fact there is a gym but it could be better for example. But really it is just a really valuable community resource. My kids attend about 4 times a week for various activities and we would really struggle as a family to access these things without it

The gym needs to be improved. I know it has been hit by Covid but they used to offer a lot more things for young children and teenagers.

One of my children attend the Colne and we have discussed a youth membership now it's winter as a good way to keep active. Safe environment to meet friends etc.

Often attend children's parties in the sports hall too.

Would be devastating to the community to lose this.

Indoor swimming pool

Better gym facilities

Good range of classes

More gym equipment

Better gym equipment

A 24 hour fully functional gym.

A swimming pool

Classes for children. Gymnastics, trampolining, on PAYG basis. Climbing wall practice PAYG. And likewise for adults, variation in classes, not just yoga! Perhaps parent & child classes to add diversity to families who can use facilities together rather than separately.

I find the present facilities adequate enough for my personal use.I value Brightlingsea Centre greatly as it provides a much needed facility within cycling or walking distance from mine, and many other users home.

I use the multi gym during quiet periods during the day and I can usually access the equipment without having to wait.

I would like to see more classes for senior citizens only e.g. mature moves, armchair aerobics. We are constantly told the importance of exercise and communication for the elderly but there is nothing provided at Brightlingsea.

It would be lovely to have a 3G astro pitch at Brightlingsea Sports Centre. Myself as the company director of MASS, would be massively impacted if the Sports Centre closed the astro and we could no longer use it. It would impact us massively as a business but also it would impact so many children in and around the town that we know love attending our sessions, look forward to the sessions and we help them have a great childhood. We all know sports is people's release and children coming from all backgrounds of life, we have created a really positive environment for all the attending children, which they have responded to brilliantly.

I really hope something can be done instead of the sports centre closing down, as this would negatively impact on the children massively, for their enjoyment, discipline, but also sanity.

If I could speak to someone directly, who is involved in this, I would love to, so we could fully express our views & feelings towards this.

Thank you & please contact me directly if need-be.

More sports facilities outside.

I have only recently moved to Brightlingsea. My son and his family (two young children) have also moved here. I consider the existence of a sports centre in the town where we live to be an essential facility for all the family and particularly for the children as they grow. Personally I would like to see more classes (pilates, yoga, Zumba) and particularly for some daytime classes for the many retired people in the town. I would be unlikely to travel out of town to go to classes.

A swimming pool.

There is clear evidence to suggest the obesity rate is rising nationally. Whilst I do not have empirical evidence to support this, here in Dovercourt/Harwich there would appear to be a number of residents who carry excess weight. The availability of take outs is on the increase with 3 new ones planned for close by to Morrisons. So diet may well be an issue? I had a spinal op several years ago and it was suggested that Pilates would be good for me. I scoured the area for local classes but came up with nothing. Only because of this survey have I found out that Harwich Sports Centre now offer Pilates several times a week and at a very reasonable rate particularly as I am of pensionable age. There are also Yoga classes, however in my opinion I feel that Yoga and Pilates are directed to a niche market. With increasing weight problems and evenings when nothing seems to take place at the Sports Centre (?) there should be more beginner through to more experienced classes in aerobic exercise, zumba classes or indeed anything else that will fire up the over weight and indeed the older population or physically compromised to make full use of the facilities. Even an elementary discussion about how many calories need to be burned off after eating a big MAC before weight is added. This is not about dictating to people but enabling them to make the right choices. In summary : More communication about what is available...local newspapers, posters in GP practice surgeries , The Dovercourt Hub etc. I was totally unaware that Pilates had started up at the Harwich Sports Centre. Liaison with GP surgeries or other medical centres to identify those who would benefit from exercise, a range of different types of exercise classes. Facilities seem to be great but take up poor. For example I was told that there are about 6/7 people who attend Pilates but the class can accommodate 13.

Currently attending Yoga and Pilates classes. Find it difficult to concentrate and relax due to noise coming from the badminton courts which are only divided by a curtain.

I feel investment into Brightlingsea Sports Centre would be money well spent. The football/hockey astro turf is outdated and needs to be upgraded. A 4G pitch would certainly be a good improvement on the existing facility.

Football training camps

Netball club and running/athletics club would be good locally. Having squash courts in Brightlingsea is good for my family as adults and children play. We've enjoyed a range of activities

from sports court hire, birthday parties, grass roots football training and weight management programme. A real asset to the community.

Improve the outdoor courts at Brightlingsea, 3G pitch , tennis courts

I use Brightlingsea sports centre on a regular basis using the gym, sports classes etc and my children use the Astro as do hundreds of others for football training and various clubs. It's well loved and well needed in our community and without it I don't know what we'd do.

Better air conditioning in the gym

The layout of the Brightlingsea sport center needs remodeling, providing better changing facilities, larger reception area and a bigger multi function gym which members can use during school times (currently only the small gym is available) during school hours which has old, broken or worn out equipment (which was Harwich's sports center old equipment).

The small garden area outside of the reception could be a new purpose built reception giving space for a larger reception/cafe/waiting area. The old reception could be incorporated into a revamped gym.

Unfortunately due to the lack of investment and maintenance Brightlingsea sport center has only seen a lick of paint in the last few years and currently gym equipment is old, damaged or broken, there broken mirrors in the gym, tiles which are missing, stained or damage on the suspended ceiling around the building. I believe that suitable investment would be regenerated in an uplift in memberships and casual usage. I believe Brightlingsea sport center could become a places to meet, greet, exercise and relax making it a figurehead attraction in Brightlingsea attracting people not only from Brightlingsea, but servicing people from the surrounding areas.

extended opening times at harwich at weekends.

tennis courts opened the whole year - not just summer. even just one court open.