

# Appendix 1



## London Borough of Merton

### PROJECT SCOPE

<b>Project Title:</b> Morden Leisure Centre	<b>Total Project Budget:</b> <b>£11,000,000</b> To include all fees, surveys, associated costs, fit out, furniture, equipment, ICT hardware, etc. Also to include the demolition of the existing Morden Park Pools
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<b>Client:</b> <b>LONDON BOROUGH OF MERTON</b>	<b>Key stakeholders:</b> London Borough of Merton Greenwich Leisure Limited
<b>Client Contact Officer:</b> Christine Parsloe	<b>Project Manager:</b> To be appointed

**Background:**

The council wishes to replace the existing Morden Park Pools (MPP) with a new modern family friendly leisure centre – Morden Leisure Centre (MLC).

The council has set aside a capital programme sum of £11m to achieve this new facility and the demise of the existing facility.

The council has previously let a contract for its three leisure centres to Greenwich Leisure Limited (GLL) in December 2010 for a term of 15 yrs (with an option to extend further for up to 2 years). This procurement and contractual agreement included the replacement of MPP with a new leisure centre and therefore the operators for the new facility are already in place and will be a delivery partner in taking this project forward.

**Project Objectives:**

To build a leisure centre that:

- Provides a wide range of sports and leisure facilities for the whole community, whatever their age and physical ability
- Ensures all project stakeholders have had the opportunity to input into the business case
- Best fits with the needs of the various stakeholders including, the public, local residents, education establishments, sports clubs, London Borough of Merton, Greenwich Leisure Limited, Sport England and other national governing bodies of sport
- Promotes best practice
- Is value for money and within budget
- Delivers economic sustainability for the leisure centres portfolio in Merton
- Encourages partnerships which deliver increases in participation, enable promotion of broader social and health outcomes and achieve financially sustainable leisure provision
- Provides a high quality venue that encourages people no matter what their ability, to take more exercise
- Considers all legislative implications
- Takes into account equality and ensures it is considered from the outset
- Considers local strategic outcomes covering:
  - Health and wellbeing
  - Social inclusion
  - Local economic benefits
  - Children and young people
  - Participation
  - Older people

To demolish the existing Morden Park Pools and reinstate the area in accordance with the natural surrounds.(N.B. Unless this site is the preferred location for the new Morden

**Consultation:**

The council commissioned PPS, a consultation company, to carry out a public consultation in 2014 to determine the priorities for the facility mix for the new MLC. This consultation also advised the public that the intention would be to include in the new MLC those facilities chosen that the council could afford within the budgets available.

The findings of that public consultation were:-

1. Sport England Affordable Leisure Centres was a good base for the new centre.
2. The size of the centre should be based on Sport England's model 4, which includes, as a minimum:
  - 6 lane x 25m swimming pool
  - Secondary / teaching pool
  - 4 badminton court sports hall
  - 100 station health & fitness facility
  - 2 studios
  - Wet & dry changing facilities
3. The additional facilities for inclusion, as far as the budgets will allow, are prioritised as:
  - Café
  - Moveable floor in the secondary / main pool for diving
  - Extra lanes for the 25m pool to provide more water space
  - Fun uses for the secondary pool (e.g. floating toys)
  - Climbing Wall
  - Sauna
  - Crèche
  - Etc.
4. Consult further the local diving clubs regarding the diving provision
5. Consult further with the ethnic minority community and local sports clubs for sports hall use, as both were under-represented in the public consultation.
6. Consult further with Morden Park Playing Fields Trust (MPPFT) regarding their emerging proposals to re-establish and re-open the sports pitches in the park area. Consider how the two projects might complement each other and for any shared facility opportunities.