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Re: Agenda item 11 - Leisure Facilities Investment and Procurement

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I understand that there is an intention to close Kingsdown sports facility . I truly cannot understand why this decision has been taken ? I have used this facility throughout my life as has my whole family and in this busy world we need more facilities like this in the local community to encourage us all to stay fit by exercise at an affordable price . I do not live in cotham but in Bishopston but class Kingsdown as the friendliest local leisure facility and hope this decision is cancelled . Health and fitness needs encouragement.

My family and myself have played badminton there for 30 years and feel it is a great asset to our area. It is an essential part of the local community. Badminton courts are tricky to hire and Kingsdown closure will make it even harder. Now working from home and mental health are more important than ever this is a much needed facility to help maintain peoples fitness and well being.