

QUESTION TO THE CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITIES AND PLACE COMMITTEE

Could the Chairman of Communities and Place committee please explain how the commitment from the Leader of this Council, Cllr Kay Cutts, to gift the land associated with the Meden Pool and Sports Centre in Warsop, a commitment given only six months ago, has come to be changed, without the matter arising at any committee or indeed any transparency regarding the obvious discussions that have taken place on the matter being provided to all relevant parties?

Councillor Andy Wetton

Response from Cllr Mrs Kay Cutts, MBE, Leader of the County Council

‘Thank you for the question, Councillor Wetton.

Meden Leisure Centre in Warsop is operated and managed by Mansfield District Council. The District Council are effectively closing the Centre to the public next month, when they withdraw from the facility.

I am aware that officers are currently in discussion with all parties involved at the Centre, with a view to exploring whether, either through the provision of new facilities, or the redevelopment of the current ones, the County Council can support the aspirations of Warsop Town Council to preserve public leisure provision in Warsop.

Let me stress, though, that the County Council is not in a position to subsidise future public provision, either through capital or revenue funding. Our priority, as the site owner, is to ensure continuing access to PE facilities for the local secondary school, and to ensure that the premises themselves are safely maintained.

At this stage, it is too early to say what the outcome of these discussions will be. Any decisions on the future arrangements of the premises will be considered by Policy Committee, which is the correct committee for property related matters.

Thank you, Chairman.’

Kind regards,

Councillor Kay Cutts MBE
Leader of Nottinghamshire County Council