

# Witham Leisure Centre

## ...the progress so far

### WITHAM LEISURE CENTRE

Construction work is progressing well and the building is really taking shape. The structural steel frame is completed, the concrete floors have been laid and it is well on its way to being wind and weather tight. The design team have been working hard finalising the finer details and selecting the internal fixtures and fittings such as tiles, flooring, cubicles, lockers and agreeing room layouts. Externally the wall on Spinks Lane that formed the boundary to the old school has been removed and this will be replaced in due course. Site signage is in place depicting what the new centre will look like along with contact details for the site for any enquiries.

### Did you know?

- 210 tonnes/560 metres of structural steel has been installed
- 36,478 man hours worked to date
- 77,500 tiles will be laid over the forthcoming months

We are very pleased to report that the new tennis courts for The Malting's Academy have been completed and handed over a month ahead of schedule. The Council committed to replacing their old facilities as the new leisure centre is being built on the location of the old courts.



You may have also seen some recent press coverage regarding a time capsule being buried on site. This was a project that the Council and Barr Construction worked on with Chipping Hill Primary School and the capsule was packed with artwork depicting great sporting events of the 21st century. The children also wrote letters to the future discoverers of the capsule which explained how sport is played today and identified significant sporting moments in time. The time capsule is buried close to the entrance of the new leisure centre and is marked with a plaque.

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All leisure bulletins as well as other information can be found on our website. For further information please contact Matt Mills or Amy Pitt on: **01376 552525** or email: [matt.mills@braintree.gov.uk](mailto:matt.mills@braintree.gov.uk) or [amy.pitt@braintree.gov.uk](mailto:amy.pitt@braintree.gov.uk)

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# Improvements to Leisure Facilities

## HALSTEAD LEISURE CENTRE

Work has started on improvements to Halstead Leisure Centre, which will be completed for January 2014. The improvements include a state-of-the-art gym in the existing gym area and the very latest Life Fitness equipment. The existing studio is being refurbished and a brand new indoor cycle studio will be created.

The sports hall is also undergoing essential improvements to improve insulation.

A bigger and better studio programme will be launched when the developments are complete.

**Halstead Leisure Centre is currently offering a NO JOINING fee offer on its 'Choice' memberships throughout the improvement works.**



## Braintree Swimming Centre

Planning permission has been granted to create a gym and studio space at Braintree Swimming Centre. Work will commence soon and be completed in spring 2014. The new state-of-the-art gym will be situated on the first floor overlooking the pools and will extend out on to the flat roof at the rear of the building. In addition there will be a new multi-use studio for a range of new classes including indoor cycling. New changing rooms will also be added to the ground floor and the swimming changing facilities will be refurbished.

## Braintree Leisure Centre

The new and refurbished facilities opened in September and feedback has been great! An increased studio programme has also been launched, which has been welcomed by new and existing members. There has been a significant increase in members who have taken up the fully inclusive 'Choice' membership allowing unlimited use of the gym, studio classes and racket sports as well as use of the other leisure facilities in the Braintree District.

**Braintree Leisure Centre is currently offering a NO JOINING fee offer on its 'Choice' memberships so why not start getting fit and healthy in time for Christmas and the New Year?**

## Your local leisure centres:

**Braintree Leisure Centre** - Panfield Lane  
Braintree, CM7 1FF

**Braintree Swimming Centre** - Charter Way,  
Braintree, CM77 8YJ

**Bramston Sports Centre** - Bridge Street,  
Witham. CM8 1BT

**Bramston Sports Ground** - Spinks Lane,  
Witham, CM8 1EP

**Halstead Leisure Centre** - Colne Road,  
Halstead, CO9 2HR

**Tel: 0845 260 1535**