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Dear Councillor Rhodes

SPORT AND LEISURE FACILITIES – NORTH WEST GLASGOW

Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding facility closures during the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

The Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for the city and nation to host one of the world's biggest sporting and cultural events. By hosting the Games, Glasgow has been able to invest significantly in new and improved facilities which are already benefiting customers. At Scotstoun, we have spent approximately £400k to date on new gym facilities, and £2.5m on new squash courts which customers are already enjoying.

As you are aware venues which will be used to host the Games will be handed over to the Organising Committee for a period of time, to allow them to be made ready for competition and to allow additional spectator services and security features to be installed. Discussions with the Glasgow 2014 Organising Committee are still ongoing and we will advise customers at the earliest opportunity what these additional works will mean for them.

Where venues are required to be closed for a period of time, we will provide alternative opportunities across our network of 30 Glasgow Club facilities and work to ensure that every customer can continue to remain fit and active around Games time. Glasgow has an excellent portfolio of facilities and we will be signposting our regular customers to local facilities including Glasgow Club Donald Dewar, Maryhill, Bellahouston, Drumoyne, Yoker, Drumchapel Pool and other Glasgow Life venues across the city.

We are also currently looking at minimising any disruption to our existing clubs and organisations by reviewing alternative venues within the local community in order to provide suitable accommodation during the games period.

If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact us over the coming months as we work towards the Games and this exciting opportunity for the city.

Yours sincerely

Dr Bridget McConnell
Chief Executive



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