

Affordable

Adhering to the core principles of council provided leisure facilities - "cradle to grave" services available to all at an affordable price.

Facilities based on resident needs

A thorough consultation of what fitness and leisure facilities are in demand now and predicted for the future. Particular focus on the needs of the core services - swimming pool, gym, sports hall and children activity centre. Benchmarking the proposals against local and national provision.

Modernised

85% of Knoll residents in an online poll said the leisure centre was in need of a significant upgrade in facilities and physical condition

Accessible

Residents have told us the leisure facilities should remain in Orpington town. It should foster and encourage local sports clubs, schools and groups to make full use of the facilities. Designed for disability and inclusivity

Walnuts Leisure Centre Consultation Key Principles



Community minded

Has a positive impact on the local community by getting residents active, socially engaged and providing employment opportunities

Available

Disruption to key services are minimised during any potential development work and the building/ services are designed with future availability and sustainability at its core

Amenity value

Any development has a positive impact on its environment, promotes regeneration of the high street/ Walnuts and builds links to local open spaces

Health linked

Recognises the significant physical and mental well-being benefits of leisure and fitness services on the local population. Linking into local GP and hospital services: offering "social and health prescribing"