By email

Reply to Application for a request for review - Muirhead Activity Centre

This is a reply to matters regarding Muirhead Activity Centre as invited by the email below.

I use Muirhead Activity Centre for badminton between three and five times each week. Chatting with my fellow players after the CAT transfer was refused the sense of relief was palpable. Sometimes the underlying truth only becomes clear after the event. Some of my fellow players admitted that if the Centre had been lost to general use they would simply have given up playing - the hassle of distant travel to Irvine or Ayr to find decent facilities; or the compromise of playing in a facility not designed for the sport; or simply the distaste created by a public facility that is heavily used begin squandered - were typical of comments made.

In passing we chat to users who are not badminton players - for example table tennis and Muirhead Residents members and they expressed that the decision to reject the CAT transfer has created increased pride in the Centre and in the Council for prioritising the welfare of the residents.

Having read much of the documentation published by the Council about the reasoning behind the decision to reject the transfer I find the Council's decision wholly justified by the facts.

I trust that my support of your process and your rejection decision plus the reaction of the users related above which by its nature can only ever be anecdotal will ensure that Muirhead Community Centre remains a sports and recreation facility open to the public.

Yours faithfully

