

Motion to Council on Leisure Centre Signage

I am proposing to amend the motion that was brought about on the meeting on 27th February, concerning the signs to the leisure centres in Wisbech, March and Whittlesey . I fully agree with all my council colleagues that the facias to the centres must reflect the long-standing community names given to them, But we must also recognise the need to change and modernise the image of the centres.

Although a motion was agreed on the 27th Feb, We did not engage or consult with the family of George Campbell, the Hudson trust, the town councils or the other member of the public who had raised concerns.

Lack of consultation was the main reason the council found its self in this situation, and I felt mindful of this, so with the great help of my fellow colleagues, Cllr Swan, Cllr Mrs Bucknor, Cllr Mrs French and Cllr Owen. We have now managed to consult with all of those concerned.

All of the people we have spoken to, were more then happy to embrace the new vision name, but did not want to loose the important historical names.

Therefore, following this period of consultation, I propose a new motion to the council that the original motion on this issue approved on 27th February 2014 be amended to read as follows:

"That the original names of the leisure centres be re-established and displayed alongside the 'New Vision Fitness' branding on the outside of the buildings"

I hope that Council will agree to this way forward.