

Dear Town and Parish Councils

Stroud District Council have commissioned a private company to undertake a Leisure and Wellbeing review. The review started in December 2020 and is due to finish in July 2021.

The purpose of the review is to develop the Leisure and Wellbeing strategy for the entire district looking at current leisure and wellbeing habits, along with aspirational ones. This will also include the facilities within the district.

This next phase of the review is "public consultation" with our local councils and residents.

The focus will be on:

1. Physical activity levels (pre, during and aspirational post covid)
2. Activities supporting the development of positive mental health and well being
3. A review of venues including Stratford Park Leisure Centre, The Park, The Museum and The Pulse
4. Exploring which community venues and organisations are currently used and how they can continue to develop and grow to support ongoing community leisure and wellbeing needs of the local residents
5. Active travel and the use of outdoor space within the District is of particular importance especially around cycling, walking and other activities which all contribute to healthier lifestyles.

As a local council you are in a unique position to involve the residents in your area and encourage them to take part in the survey.

Normally this would be completed by hosting group meetings within the community but due to covid we are unable to facilitate at this time.

If after the survey closes we have not reached all the groups we will set up some focus groups to ensure those who have not had an opportunity to contribute are heard.

Access to the survey is via this link: <https://tinyurl.com/stroudcommunity> The closing date for the survey is the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

Can I ask you to share with your local councillors, residents and community providers by posting on your websites and pushing out through your normal methods of communication during lock down to ensure we gather as much valuable insight as we can in order to develop a strategy which reflects what the local residents want and need.

Thank you for taking the time to read and act upon this email,

If you have any questions in relation to the survey please come back to me with your questions using this email account,

Kind Regards  
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