

Oaklands Pool Consultation

In making a final decision regarding the future of Oaklands Pool we want to consult with users about the potential impact on them of closure, to understand the reasons people use Oaklands swimming pool and to explore alternatives. We would be grateful if you could complete the form and press submit.

1. What is your full home postcode?

2. Which of the following best represents your use of Oaklands pool before its closure for maintenance?

Daily

More than once a week

Once a week

Fortnightly

Monthly

Once every few months

A few times a year

Never (please go to Q7)

3. How do you travel to the pool?

Car/ Taxi

Motorcycle

Cycle

Walk

Bus

Train

4. How long have you used it for?

A year or less

More than 1 year but less than 3

More than 3 years but less than 5

More than 5 years but less than 10

More than 10 years

5. What encourages you to use Oaklands above other pools?

6. What have you done since the recent closure?

7. What alternatives to closure can you foresee?

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Consultation on the proposed closure of Oaklands swimming pool

You may be aware that Oaklands swimming pool is currently closed as a result of repairs being required to leaking pipe work. The swimming pool has a significant repairs backlog that requires spending approximately £500,000 to provide the building with a 5 to 10 year life span. This significant sum would not provide any comprehensive refurbishment of the pool, or provide any guarantee that the pipe work would not fail again and require additional costly repairs over and above the sums mentioned above.

You will also be aware that local government is under significant financial pressures. The ongoing costs of approximately £250,000 a year to operate the pool represent one of the many great funding challenges that Southampton City Council is currently facing.

It is for these reasons that the Council is considering closing the pool. No decisions have been made yet. In making a final decision we want to consult with users about the potential impact on them of closure, to understand the reasons people use Oaklands swimming pool and to explore alternatives. We would be grateful if you could complete the attached form and send it back to the address on the form or return it to a member of staff at the consultation stand.

All feedback received during this consultation process will be collated and fed back to elected councillors when they make their decisions in September this year.