

Prevent the Closure of Our Local Swimming Pool in Buntingford

My husband, like many others in our community, has greatly benefited from our local swimming pool. Following a knee replacement surgery, he found himself unable to participate in activities such as biking or running. However, swimming provided him with an accessible and effective form of exercise that has significantly improved his health and wellbeing.

Unfortunately, the council has decided to close this invaluable community resource. This decision will not only impact my husband but also countless other residents who rely on the pool for exercise, rehabilitation or simply leisure.

Swimming is a low-impact activity that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. According to Swim England's report "Value of Swimming", it helps reduce the risk of chronic illnesses and improves mental health while saving NHS over £357 million per year through prevented GP visits.

The closure of our local pool would deprive us all from these benefits. We urge the council to reconsider their decision based on its significant impact on public health and community cohesion in Buntingford.

Please sign this petition if you believe in preserving vital resources for our community's physical and mental wellbeing.

Petition submitted by Terry and Jeanne Watson and Philip Wylie.

Online petition has received 1,307 signatures and 503 physical signatures have been received (correct as of Friday 8 December 2023)