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Pavilion Changing Rooms

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I thank Ian and Gwyneth for their input.

Since Wyn's email, a number of questions have been raised among members and clubs; There is a concern that the reasoning appears to be based on longer term matters; WG tells us we are at Level Zero, and we are all now aware that COVID will not disappear overnight. Therefore, if not now, at which stage would Llangennech council be prepared to relax these restrictions?

As stated above, the cases are a Carmarthenshire-wide issue however other Carmarthenshire-based clubs continue to use facilities and showers under controlled measures - do they not face up to, and mitigate for the same risks as we face?

Generally, as we are all aware, in terms of the spread of COVID, there are already procedures in place that prevent individuals who may be at risk of having the virus from participating, so the likelihood of a positive individual using the facilities has already been mitigated.

Wyn's email refers to Penywaer; it is indeed only used by sporting bodies, but with 5 pitches and potentially 10 teams and officials sharing a building and showers there on a Saturday afternoon, is it not recognised that the sheer numbers in attendance at such a venue presents a higher risk of spread irrespective of the category those people fall into (sports, cylch meithrin)?

The "poor ventilation" issue appears to be recognised as the main sticking point for refusal to entertain any shower usage. For the LBSA to better understand and work towards a solution and look to reduce this as a risk (as it was put forward by the Clerk initially and so included in our document), what is this statement based upon? How has this ventilation problem been measured? Or what is it being compared against? There are windows in the room which many changing rooms don't have.

There are serious repercussions on the clubs who would have to face up to any longer term ban from usage of showers, and there is little likelihood that associations such as WWFA, CAFL, FAW and WRU accept the park as a suitable venue without a shower facility, which would force the clubs to find alternative arrangements, at great cost of course.

These are just some points that have been brought forward and we appreciate that there are some complicated answers. We also appreciate that not all the councillors have, or would want to voice an opinion on the matter, as they have been invited to do here. At this point, especially since it is late in the day in terms of meeting Saturday's deadline, could the LBSA please urge the council members to hold an urgent vote on this?

Thank you