



# Fermanagh Lakeland Forum Redevelopment Project Update

## PLANNING APPROVAL

A significant milestone was achieved today with Fermanagh and Omagh District Council's Planning Committee approving planning permission for the proposed redevelopment of the Fermanagh Lakeland Forum.

Meeting at the Townhall, Enniskillen on Wednesday 20 September 2023, the planning application to transform the 46-year-old leisure centre and surrounding area into a state-of-the-art leisure, health and wellbeing hub received unanimous support from the Planning Committee.

The ambitious redevelopment plan - which was awarded £20m from the UK Government's Levelling Up Fund earlier this year - includes a new leisure building, designed to Passivhaus standards to ensure environmental sustainability, with cutting edge sports amenities including a new 8-lane swimming pool, separate learner pool and splash pad area for young children and gym facilities. It also includes versatile community and multipurpose spaces for health partners and others with dedicated areas for health and wellness activities. Outdoors, the proposal includes a destination playpark and urban sports park; a replacement 3G sports pitch; new walkways and trails and the development of an active waterfront area and improved pedestrian linkages to Enniskillen town centre.

The proposed redevelopment will be designed to complement and enhance the natural and historical landscape and increase biodiversity. The redevelopment proposal was developed following extensive consultation and engagement with elected representatives, members of the public, statutory and community organisations and local businesses.

The design stage of the redevelopment proposal is ongoing. It is anticipated that the Full Business Case for the project will be presented to Fermanagh and Omagh District Council for approval mid-2024, when a decision on the investment will be made.



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