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Re: SportUNE Swimming Pool Progress

Dear Members,

I would like to provide an update on progress on the UNE swimming pool at SportUNE.

Since its closure at the end of last year, the University has engaged architects and consultants to redevelop the existing pool. The scope of works has been extensive, covering not only redevelopment of the pool but also the main change room facilities. This has been an important process of design to incorporate state-of-the-art technology in pool filtration and heating and accessibility compliance for all. Because of increased usage of the Centre over many years, time has been taken to expand our main change rooms to meet the ever-growing demand for the facility – something that we are very proud of.

The design by our architects and consultants is almost complete. UNE Life has had funding approved through the University to progress this project, and initial development approval through Armidale Regional Council has been received. The next step is the procurement process, which will begin shortly, based on a select tender.

There is still a considerable timeline left in the design/procurement area before work can be started, but we are hopeful that construction will commence early in 2018.

I want to thank everyone for your patience with this large project, and I apologise for the inconvenience. We are very excited about the future of this facility and look forward to making the designs available for public viewing in the coming weeks.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to talk with myself or the SportUNE staff.

Kind regards,
Dave

David Schmude
Director

