

# Appendix 2 – The Surveys

## 1. Online Residents Survey

### THE VALUE AND BENEFITS OF HARLOW'S PADDLING POOLS AND SPLASH PARK

This is your chance to help shape the future development of Paddling Pools and Splash Parks in Harlow. Please respond thinking about your household as a whole. Even if you don't currently use these facilities (perhaps you did in the past - or you just have an interest) we would very much like to hear from you. The survey should only take you about 10 minutes to complete.

If you're not sure what we mean by a splash park this link provides an example. Please note that this is an example only. The Council is not currently considering any particular designs or plans for individual sites.

1. On a scale of 1-10: How important do you think the paddling pools and splash parks are for Harlow's children, young people, their families and the wider community (1 = Not Important, 10 = Very important).



2. To what extent do you agree that the paddling pools are an important part of Harlow's heritage?

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

3. If you wish to explain your responses to the above questions further please use the box below:

4. What do you think are the main benefits that the paddling pools and splash parks provide for local people? You can choose as many as you wish.

- They provide a place for children and young people to meet friends and to socialise
- They provide an opportunity for children to take informal exercise that is fun, in an outdoor environment
- They provide mental health benefits for children and young people
- They help build children's confidence with water play which is a useful first step to visits to swimming pools and learning to swim
- They provide a popular opportunity for family outings, picnics etc.
- Out of season the paddling pools provide informal opportunities for play, skateboarding and other "wheeled sports"
- They provide a good reason for visiting parks and making use of other park facilities
- They are free to use

Other (please specify)

## FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

**The Council wish to enhance paddling pools and splash park facilities in Harlow and your views will help them to decide which is the best way forward, based on the preferences of local people.**

5. In general, which of the following broad options would you prefer the Council to pursue? Please tick one box only.

- Provide splash parks at all of the current sites instead of paddling pools
- Make individual choices for each site (splash park or paddling pool)
- Retain all the facilities as they currently are, making improvements and necessary repairs to bring them up to standard.

6. If you have any suggestions or ideas on other general options or approaches please tell us below:

7. For the individual sites please indicate your preferences for future development below (tick one box on each row):

	Paddling Pool	Splash Park	No Opinion
Bush Fair paddling pool	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Harlow Town Park paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Norman Booth paddling pool	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Potter Street Splash Park	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Staple Tye paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sumners paddling pool	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

8. If you have any further views, comments or suggestions e.g. add splash park features to some of the paddling pools Please tell us below.

### VISITS TO PADDLING POOLS/SPLASH PARK

9. Do any members of your household visit or make use of any of Harlow's paddling pools/splash park during the summer?

Yes

No

10. If yes, please tell us which one/s you visit (please tick ALL the facilities that you visit); which you visit most frequently; and the one that is nearest to you:

	We visit/have visited this facility	This is the site we visit/visited most	This is the facility that is nearest to us
Bush Fair paddling pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Harlow Town Park paddling pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Norman Booth paddling pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potter Street Splash Park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staple Tye paddling pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sumners paddling pool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. If the facility that you visit/visited most frequently is not the one closest to where you live can you say why?

### QUALITY OF PADDLING POOL/SPLASH PARK FACILITIES

12. In general, how would you rate the quality of the facilities:

	Very Good	Good	Adequate	Poor	Very Poor	No opinion
Bush Fair paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Harlow Town Park paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Norman Booth paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Potter Street Splash Park	<input type="radio"/>					
Staple Tye paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Summers paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					

13. If you have any comments about the quality of individual sites please use the box below

### TRAVEL TIMES FOR VISITS

14. How long do members of your household travel to visit the facilities? Please also tell us whether you would usually walk, cycle, drive or use other forms of transport.

	Time (in minutes) it normally takes you to get to the facility	Normal method of travel
Bush Fair paddling pool	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Harlow Town Park paddling pool	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Norman Booth paddling pool	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Potter Street Splash Park	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Staple Tye paddling pool	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Summers paddling pool	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

15. Is the distance and time needed to get to your nearest paddling pool/splash park a barrier to you making visits?

Yes  No

16. If yes, do you think there is a need for a paddling pool/splash park nearer to where you live?

Yes

No

17. Please explain further if you wish:

## ABOUT YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD

To help us analyse the data from the survey and to make best use of the findings to plan for the future, it would be extremely helpful to know a little about you and your household. This information is strictly confidential. In line with GDPR regulations it will not be shared with any third party or presented in any way that would identify specific individuals or households. All data will be destroyed at the end of the project.

18. What is your postcode? We only need the first 5 parts e.g. CM20 5

19. Which age group are you in?

under 20

35 - 44 years

65 - 74 years

20 - 24 years

45 - 54 years

75 or over

25 - 34 years

55 - 64 years

20. How many people are normally resident in your household?

1  2  3  4  5  6  More

21. Are there any children / young people in your household?

Yes  No

22. If yes, how old are your children? Please put the number of children in each age range.

0-6

7-11

12-16

23. Does illness or disability limit your household's activities in any way?

Yes

No

24. How would you describe your ethnic background?

- White
- Dual Heritage
- Asian or Asian British
- Black or Black British
- Chinese or other ethnic group
- Gypsy or Traveller
- Prefer not to say

If you wish, please clarify further below:

25. Thanks very much for completing the survey. Your responses will help the Council to plan effectively to improve paddling pool/splash park provision across Harlow in line with what local people think is most needed. If there is anything else you would like to add about Harlow's paddling pools/splash park please tell us below

## 2. Hard Copy Short Version – Residents Survey

### A THE VALUE OF HARLOW'S PADDLING POOLS AND SPLASH PARK

Q1 On a scale of 1-10: How important do you think the paddling pools and splash park are for Harlow's children, young people, their families and the wider community (1 = Not Important, 10 = Very important).

Not Important								Very Important	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Q2 To what extent do you agree that the paddling pools are an important part of Harlow's heritage?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree

If you wish to explain your responses to the above questions further please use the box below:

### B FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Council wish to enhance paddling pools and splash park facilities in Harlow and your views will help them to decide which is the best way forward, based on the preferences of local people.

Q3 In general, which of the following broad options would you prefer the Council to pursue? Please tick one box only.

	Provide splash parks at all of the current sites instead of paddling pools
	Make individual choices for each site (splash park or paddling pool)

Retain all the facilities as they currently are, making necessary repairs to bring them up to standard.

**Q4** For the individual sites please indicate your preferences for future development below (tick one box on each row):

Facility	Paddling Pool	Splash Park	No Opinion
Bush Fair paddling pool			
Harlow Town Park paddling pool			
Norman Booth paddling pool			
Potter Street Splash Park			
Staple Tye paddling pool			
Sumners paddling pool			

If you have any further views, comments, suggestions etc. on the future development of Harlow's water play sites please tell us below:

### C VISITS TO PADDLING POOLS/SPLASH PARK

**Q5** Do you visit or make use of any of Harlow's paddling pools/splash park during the summer?

Yes

No

If yes, please tell us which one/s you visit (please tick ALL the facilities that you visit); which you visit most frequently; and the one that is nearest to you:

Facility	We visit/have visited this facility	This is the site we visit/visited most	This is the facility that is nearest to us
Bush Fair paddling pool			
Harlow Town Park paddling pool			
Norman Booth paddling pool			
Potter Street Splash Park			
Staple Tye paddling pool			
Sumners paddling pool			

**Q6** Do you live in Harlow?

Yes

No

If yes, what is your postcode please (First 4 parts only e.g. CM20)

**Q7** Other comments, suggestions etc.

If there is anything else you would like to say about Harlow's paddling pools/splash parks please do so below:

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Thanks very much for completing the survey. Your responses will help the Council to plan effectively to improve paddling pool/splash park provision across Harlow in line with what local people think is most needed.

### 3. Community Organisations Survey

#### About your organisation

1. What is the name of your group?

2. Your position e.g. secretary, chair, committee member etc.

3. Where in Harlow is your organisation based and what area do you cover?

4. Brief description of your organisation, club or group (e.g. purpose, age groups catered for etc)

5. Does your organisation make direct use of any of Harlow's paddling pools/splash park?

Yes

No

6. If Yes, please give brief details (e.g. name of paddling pool/splash park, frequency and purpose of visits)

#### The value and benefits of paddling pools and splash parks; and the quality of existing facilities.

7. On a scale of 1-10: How important do you think the paddling pools and splash parks are for Harlow's children, young people, their families and the wider community

(1 = Not Important, 10 = Very important).

1

10

8. To what extent do you agree that the paddling pools are an important part of Harlow's heritage?

Strongly Agree

Agree

- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

9. If you wish to explain your responses to the above questions further please do so below

10. What do you think are the main benefits that the paddling pools and splash parks provide for local people?

11. In general, how would you rate the quality of the water play facilities?

	Very good	Good	Adequate	Poor	Very poor	No opinion
Bush Fair paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Harlow Town Park paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Norman Booth paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Potter Street Splash Park	<input type="radio"/>					
Staple Tye paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					
Summers paddling pool	<input type="radio"/>					

12. If you wish to comment further on the quality of the water play facilities in general or for specific facilities please add below:

## FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The Council wish to enhance paddling pools and splash park facilities in Harlow and your views will help them to decide which is the best way forward.

In this section we are interested in your views on the broad approach that the Council should take and also any comments on individual sites.

13. In general, which of the following broad options would you prefer the Council to pursue?

- Provide splash parks at all of the current sites (instead of paddling pools)
- Make individual choices for each site (splash park or paddling pool)

Retain all the facilities as they currently are, making improvements and necessary repairs to bring them up to standard.

14. If you have any further comments or suggestions to add in relation to the Council's general approach please tell us below.

15. Please note that you don't need to cover all of the facilities with additional comments, just those in which you have a particular interest. If you don't wish to add any site specific comments please move on to Question 21.

If you have any comments relating to Bush Fair paddling pool please add below.

16. If you have any comments relating to Harlow Town Park paddling pool paddling pool please add below

17. If you have any comments relating to Norman Booth paddling pool please add below

18. If you have any comments relating to Potter Street Splash Park please add below

19. If you have any comments relating to Staple Tye paddling pool please add below

20. If you have any comments relating to Sumners paddling pool please add below

21. Finally, thanks very much for completing this survey. if there are any further views, comments or suggestions you wish to add please do so below. If you need a copy of your response, please email Paul Greatorex via [paul@lande.co.uk](mailto:paul@lande.co.uk)

#### 4. Children's Survey

# Paddling Pools or Splash Parks?



## Children's survey

1. How much do you like playing in Paddling Pools?

Please choose a smiley then tick or circle it.



2. How much do you like playing in Splash Parks?

Please choose a smiley then tick or circle it.



3. Do you play in the Paddling Pools when they're empty? YES NO

If YES, please tick the boxes below for each thing you do!

Running  Roller skating  BMX  Skateboarding

4. What would improve the Paddling Pool or Splash Park you visit most?

Please tick the box!

picnic benches  toilets  Any other ideas? .....

5. Would you rather -

keep the Paddling Pools and improve them?

replace them with Splash Parks?

Please tick the box!

