

Dear Member / Community User,

In light of very recent advice and guidance from our government related to Covid-19 and the restrictive advise relating to limiting non-essential social gatherings and interactions, we have taken the decision to **close our sports centre facilities and school lets operations across our trust schools as of 12pm today (18.03.2020).**

Where by our schools within our trust are still very much open and in attendance (at present), our commercial activity is deemed as non-essential and therefore we feel a level of social responsibility is to close our doors to the general public and discourage any form of social gatherings.

We will continually monitor on a daily basis the guidance delivered from our government and public health services to ensure updates are accurate and timely.

To remove any benefit of doubt the areas of commercial activity that will not be accessible to the general public involve:

- Both Wellsway and SBL Sports Centres, their memberships and any morning, evening and weekend sports bookings or events.
- All group exercise classes held within the sports centres
- All school lets at Wellsway, SBL, St Johns Primary, IKB and Chandag Juniors that are organised and co-ordinated by WMAT Trading Co.Ltd

It is extremely difficult to predict the length of closure, therefore we will be reviewing this on a daily basis and we have a team on hand who will be able to communicate to all users and groups should we be able to reopen our sites to the general public.

Our communication plan is to send updates to yourselves via our websites, email and social media platforms. In the eventuality of us being advised to reopen, we will communicate this to you with urgency.

The promotion of health and wellbeing is of up most importance to us and we have not taken this decision lightly. Our community interest is at the heart of all that we do and therefore have a requirement to follow government and public health guidance.

Over the forthcoming days, we will be working on a plan to ensure that no one is financially disadvantaged when it comes to membership fees of our sports centres and/or cancellations of our bookings. Please allow us some time to trigger communications to relevant groups and individuals related to any possible reimbursement due to our closure.

In the meantime, may I take the time to thank you for your patience during this difficult and testing time. Please follow the below link for government guidance related to Covid-19
<https://www.gov.uk/government/topical-events/coronavirus-covid-19-uk-government-response> .

If you do have any individual enquiries please email scenquiries@wellswaymat.com where a member of the team will endeavor to respond asap.

Please stay healthy, look after yourself and those around you and I look forward to welcoming you all back to our sites and centres, hopefully in the not too distant future.

Kind regards
Dave Cook (General Manager)

