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**KINGFISHER CENTRE TO SHUT FOR ESSENTIAL REPAIR AND
IMPROVEMENT WORKS IN DECEMBER**

The Kingfisher Leisure Centre in Sudbury is due to close for the month of December in order to allow essential repair and improvement works to take place. Annual season ticket holders and users who pay by direct debit will not, however, lose out. The former will be given an extra month of use, with the latter been given a 'payment holiday' for that month.

The Babergh District Council-owned centre is managed by Leisure Connection PLC. Babergh plans to make a number of structural repairs, including those to the swimming pool. Improvements include better disabled access and the resurfacing of the dance studio.

Penny Arnold, Babergh's Leisure Services Manager said "although the repair and improvement work is to the benefit of all users, we do recognise that the closure may cause some inconvenience. We would like to apologise for that and will ensure that annual season ticket holders and those paying by direct debit do not lose out."

"We have already written to all the Centre's annual ticket holders and direct debit payers informing them of the short-term closure."

Penny Arnold explained that "from looking at previous usage figures, December tends to be a quieter month, which hopefully will minimise any disruption."

Babergh and Leisure Connection have also ensured that Kingfisher users receiving swimming coaching can use Hadleigh Pool instead – at no extra cost. ENDS

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