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**Title:**

## **“Leisure Trust Restates Commitment to Continue to Improve Facilities”**

**Body:**

Since the formation of South Gloucestershire Leisure Trust in November 2005 over half a million pounds has already been invested into facilities in South Gloucestershire and there are plans to invest much more into facilities over the next few years.

The need for investment across the leisure centre estate is huge and is estimated to be over six million pounds. So far the Leisure Trust has been invested nearly four hundred thousand pounds, more than invested over the previous 4 years combined at all 4 existing sites.

Throughout 2006 Yate Leisure Centre has benefited from a number of major improvements to its facilities including a gym refurbishment with upgraded state of the art Technogym exercise equipment, a new spin studio kitted out with top of the range bikes and a transformed Customer Services area. In addition to all this there has been an ongoing re-decoration programme at Yate which has seen various rooms painted, doors replaced and other general maintenance work carried out.

South Gloucestershire Council have also been investing money into Yate Leisure Centre having repaired roof leaks, replacing every external window and fixing an external drainage problem. Money has also been ploughed into resurfacing the indoor bowls hall facility.

Although Yate Leisure Centre is structurally old, South Gloucestershire Leisure Trust is in its infancy. The Leisure Trust has shown its commitment to improve facilities so far and is keen to make further investments to improve the activities and facilities on offer. This can only be achieved through developing a positive working partnership with all our partners.

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**Notes for Editors:**

- **South Gloucestershire Leisure Ltd** - South Gloucestershire Leisure Ltd is a charitable trust established in November 2005. It operates the four leisure centres in South Gloucestershire on behalf of South Gloucestershire Council. The Trust is overseen by a board of voluntary trustees.
- **Press releases** - All press releases can be found online at: [www.sgleisure.org/press\\_releases](http://www.sgleisure.org/press_releases)

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