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**Re: Forever Active classes at Chesterton Sports Centre**

Dear Member,

I am sorry to have to inform you that the Forever Active Board of Trustees has taken the decision to withdraw from classes at Chesterton Sports Centre from the end of July. Please be assured that this is not a decision we have taken lightly. Forever Active has been associated with Chesterton Sports Centre from the beginning, and we know that it is a venue that our members enjoy going to. But particularly if you have been going to classes there recently you will be aware that there have been problems. Classes were cut to 50 minutes, one class was closed at short notice while others have been over-full, and most recently the fee for non-members was increased to £6. Despite having an agreement with the Sports Centre, setting out the terms of our partnership, Forever Active had no say in any of these changes. Members such as you were understandably upset and annoyed, and we have had to spend many hours apologising, explaining things, and meeting with Sports Centre staff to try to improve matters. But it has become clear to us that Forever Active is part of Chesterton Sports Centre in name only.

The Centre has indicated that they propose to keep the classes going, but they will no longer be over-50 classes or necessarily taken by instructors who are over-50 trained. If you wish to continue to go to your existing class you will either have to pay £6 or take out a Sports Centre subscription. Your instructor has other Forever Active classes, but these are mostly full at present. However, we are working towards setting up some new classes in Cambridge, maybe more local to where you live, and we would like to keep in contact with you to let you know what alternatives are on offer. One of our problems is knowing exactly which Forever Active members go to classes at Chesterton, which is why there is a tear-off slip at the bottom of this letter. Please fill it in, and hand it to one of us as you leave today, send it to us by post, or e-mail the details. If you wish to make any comments, please write them on the reverse of the slip or include them in your e-mail.

Finally, may I personally thank you for your support of Forever Active in the past. I do hope that you will stay with us as a member (only £15 a year) and continue with exercise classes. This outcome is disappointing for us all, but we look forward to the future with confidence.

With very best wishes

Yours faithfully

Penny Granger  
(Chair, Forever Active Board of Directors/Trustees)

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