

leisureopportunities

10 DECEMBER – 16 DECEMBER 2010 ISSUE 543

Daily news & jobs: www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

'Radical' change to health policy

PETE HAYMAN

Health secretary Andrew Lansley has announced plans for a 'radical' new public health service to encourage people in England to adopt healthier lifestyles.

Public Health England will see the government hand over more power to local authorities, with ring-fenced funding from within the overall NHS budget to be made available.

The Department of Health estimates that around £4bn will be spent on the delivery of the new service, which will also incorporate industry, charities and other departments.

In his White Paper, Lansley said the approach would incorporate projects such as the new £135m Olympic legacy participation programme and the protection of green spaces. Government plans include ensuring communities are designed for 'active ageing', as well



The government plans to overhaul the delivery of health and wellness

as giving every child the opportunity to benefit from the 'best start in life'.

Lansley said: "People's health and wellbeing will be at the heart of everything local councils do. Directors of public health will be able to champion local cooperation so that health issues are considered as a priority."



CEO John Treharne launched the venture in 2008

The Gym Group secures £20m expansion funding

PETE HAYMAN

Low-cost health club operator The Gym Group has revealed that it has secured a £20m funding package towards its plans for expansion.

Primary investor Bridges Ventures and a 'revolving credit facility' from HSBC will help finance the group's move to grow its UK portfolio from 14 sites.

The Gym Group is looking to acquire up to 20 additional sites during 2011 and aims to expand its estate to 50 clubs over the next two years.

New sustainable resort for EuroDisney

MARTIN NASH

Euro Disney and Groupe Pierre & Vacances Center Parcs have unveiled Les Villages Nature de Val d'Europe (Villages Nature), their new sustainable vacation destination concept.

Central to the concept – which envisages 90 per cent of the resort retained as green space – is 'harmony between man and nature', reflected in both the accommodation and the activities offered. The first 175 hectare (432.4 acres) phase is set to open in 2015 and will include the construction of 1,730 apartments and cottages.

February start for £45m Tate project

PETE HAYMAN

Tate has announced that work on a £45m project to transform its original London gallery – Tate Britain – is to start in February 2011.

Designed to help conserve the Sidney Smith-designed building, the scheme will also entail a major upgrade of the the Grade II*-listed attraction's galleries.

Caruso St John Architects' plans include the reconstruction of nine galleries in the southern part of the building and the revamp of its main entrance on Millbank. The River Room – formerly a watercolour gallery divided into three offices – will return to public use as a single room, while new learning spaces and



Artist's impression of the proposed Members Lounge

a café are also to be created. The scheme is scheduled for completion in 2013.

Drivers Jonas Deloitte is project manager, with Alan Baxter Associates; Maxfordham Partners; and Turner and Townsend also involved.

GET
LEISURE
OPPS

Magazine sign up at
leisureopportunities.co.uk/subs

Job board live job updates
leisureopportunities.co.uk

PDF for iPad, Kindle & smart phone
leisureopportunities.co.uk/pdf

Ezine sign up for weekly updates,
leisureopportunities.co.uk/ezine

Online on digital turning pages
leisureopportunities.co.uk/digital

Instant sign up for instant alerts,
leisureopportunities.co.uk/instant

Twitter follow us:
[@leisureopps](https://twitter.com/leisureopps) [@leisureoppsjobs](https://twitter.com/leisureoppsjobs)

RSS sign up for job & news feeds
leisureopportunities.co.uk/rss

The Leisure Media Company
Portmill House, Portmill Lane,
Hitchin, Herts SG5 1DJ, UK
Tel: +44 (0)1462 431385
Fax: +44 (0)1462 433909
e-mail: please use contacts'
fullname@leisuremedia.com

Subscriptions

Julie Albane 01462 471915
subs@leisuremedia.com

Editor

Liz Terry 01462 431385

Managing Editor

Tom Walker 01462 471934

Journalists

Pete Hayman 01462 471938

Martin Nash 01462 471933

Design

Ed Gallagher 01905 20198

Internet

Dean Fox 01462 471900

Tim Nash 01462 471917

Sales Team Manager

Annie Lovell 01462 471901

Account Managers

Recruitment, training, tenders

Paul Thorman 01462 471904

Simon Hinksman 01462 471905

Emma Matthews 01462 471907

Sarah Gibbs 01462 471908

Property desk

Simon Hinksman 01462 471905

Spa Opportunities

Emma Matthews 01462 471907

Financial Controller

Sue Davis 01395 519398

Financial Administrator

Denise Gildea 01462 471930

Circulation Manager

Michael Emmerson 01462 471932

Subscribe to Leisure Opportunities,

Online: www.leisuresubs.com

Email: subs@leisuremedia.com

Tel: +44 (0)1462 471913

Annual subscription rates are UK £31,

Europe £41, Rest of world £62, students UK £16.

Leisure Opportunities is published fortnightly by The Leisure Media Company Limited, Portmill House, Portmill Lane, Hitchin, Herts SG5 1DJ, UK and is distributed in the USA by SPP, 75 Aberdeen Road, Emigsville, PA 17318-0437. Periodicals postage paid @ Manchester, PA POSTMASTER Send US address changes to Leisure Opportunities, c/o PO Box 437, Emigsville, PA 17318-0437. The views expressed in print are those of the author and do not necessarily represent those of the publisher The Leisure Media Company Limited. All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system or transmitted in any form or by means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recorded or otherwise without the prior permission of the copyright holder. Printed by Warners Midland plc.

©The Leisure Media Company Limited 2010
ISSN 0952/8210

SPORT

£13.6m Afan Lido plans revealed

PETE HAYMAN

Plans for a new £13.6m multi-purpose leisure facility to replace the fire-damaged Afan Lido venue in Port Talbot have been unveiled by the local authority.

Neath Port Talbot Council (NPTC) confirmed that the leisure part of the proposed complex is to be run in partnership with Celtic Community Leisure.

Facilities at the Holder Mathias Architects-designed centre will include a 25m swimming pool; a learner pool; a sports hall; a fitness suite; and a dance studio, along with a ground floor café.

A community hub – separated from the leisure part by a glass walkway atrium – will feature a library; an ICT training room; a youth facility; meeting rooms; and a crèche. The scheme is to be funded using capital



Facilities will include two swimming pools and a multi-use sports hall

contributions from NPTC; efficiency savings; and an insurance payment from the Afan Lido fire, along with a potential European grant.

NPTC aims to start work in late 2011 or early 2012 and confirmed that work is continuing to ensure the safe demolition of Afan Lido, which was destroyed by fire last December.

Council reveals Skelmersdale sports pitch proposals

TOM WALKER

West Lancashire Borough Council (WLBC) has announced its plans to bring a sports ground in Skelmersdale back into use.

WLBC has agreed to lease the Blaguegate All-Weather Playing Pitches site to Lathom-

based J Mallinson, which will see the facilities open for the first time since 2003.

Work is already underway on efforts to reopen the pitches, which will benefit from the installation of new all-weather surfaces. The pitches are due to open in spring 2011.

£26m Salford stadium contracts signed

PETE HAYMAN

Salford City Reds rugby league team has secured a deal that will enable it to use a new £26m community stadium at Barton-upon-Irwell as its home ground.

The Super League club has reached agreement with a joint venture between Salford City Council and developer Peel to play at the venue, which is scheduled to open in 2012.

Meanwhile, construction work on the AFL Architects-designed venue is to start in December after The Buckingham Group also exchanged contracts with the joint venture.

Preparatory work is now complete, with the proposed stadium to boast an initial capacity of 12,000 before being increased to 20,000 in



The stadium will have an initial capacity of 12,000, increasing to 20,000

future years. Community sports pitches will also be provided at the venue.

Drivas Jonas Deloitte has been appointed project manager for the development.

University scheme approved

PETE HAYMAN

Oxford University's plans for a major overhaul of its Iffley Road sports complex have been given the green light by Oxford City Council.

FaulknerBrowns Architects are behind the design of the multi-million pound project, which is set to include the demolition of the existing grandstand.

A lower grandstand will be built to accommodate an indoor cricket school, a projectiles range, spectator seating and changing rooms.

Meanwhile, a one double-sized and one single-sized sports hall linked by a timber and glass structure housing the main entrance and atrium foyer and a two-storey gym are also planned.

Jon Roycroft, the university's director of sport, said: "These much needed facilities



The centre is primarily for students but will also be open to the public

will be used by University and college sports teams, the wider university and importantly the local community.

"Our athletes are jostling for space, so this will enable them to train more regularly during their academic studies, as well as expanding access to a wide range of indoor sports."

Clubs vow to pursue new stadium plans

PETE HAYMAN

Bristol City Football Club (BCFC) and Nottingham Forest Football Club (NFFC) have vowed to continue with plans for new stadiums.

Despite England's failure to secure the right to host the 2018 World Cup, both clubs said work would continue with efforts to create new facilities.

Bristol City FC's business development director Guy Price said: "We will remain tenacious and completely committed in our efforts to deliver the stadium."

BCFC's plans for a 30,000-seat venue have been hit by efforts to have the proposed Ashton Vale site designated as a town green, while NFFC is eyeing up a move to Gamston.



The proposed Bristol City venue has been designed by Populous

Nottingham City Council leader Jon Collins added: "Nottingham Forest remains ambitious for a new home and the council will continue to work with it on any plans it might have."

Two 'appropriate' sites for Yeovil Sports Zone

PETE HAYMAN

Brimsmore and Bunford have been identified as the two 'most appropriate' locations for the proposed Yeovil Sports Zone development.

Both sites have been put forward in a South Somerset District Council report, which

follows a public consultation organised by Alliance Planning this summer.

Alliance Planning, along with Royal Haskoning and Greenslade Taylor Hunt, has also undertaken a search and assessment process to identify potential sites.

SPORT

Council launches Oxford pool consultation

PETE HAYMAN

Outline plans for a new £8.5m swimming pool at Blackbird Leys, Oxford, have been put to residents as part of a new council-led public consultation.

Facilities mooted as part of the FaulknerBrowns Architects-designed complex include an eight-lane, 25m swimming pool with moveable floor a 'Fun water' with jets and sprays, changing facilities and a café could also form part of the scheme, which also involves consultancy Mace, Curtins Consulting, Hoare Lea and Sense.



The football club has been forced to relocate

Mansfield Town stadium repossessed

PETE HAYMAN

Mansfield Town Football Club (MTFC) has expressed disappointment at a decision to terminate the club's lease on its Field Mill stadium. The Blue Square Bet Premier club has moved to reassure fans that is working to resolve the situation and will make alternative arrangements for future home games. It follows the announcement last month that MTFC would not pay rent directly to ground owner Stags Limited until investigations into financial transactions were completed.

Tiger11 withdraws Leeds sports centre plan

PETE HAYMAN

Community organisation Tiger11 has withdrawn its proposals to take over the running of South Leeds Sports Centre due to a lack of funding.

The group had hoped to transfer responsibility for the venue from Leeds City Council and operate it as an independent community enterprise. However, Tiger11 has confirmed it has been unable to secure the required funding within the timescales necessary to progress the project and has now abandoned the plans.

The website, email and search engine for leisure buyers

beauty

fitness

fun

gaming

golf

green

hospitality

leisure

museum

spa

sport

water

Now over
5,000
leisure suppliers
listed on our
NEW improved
search



Visit leisure-kit.net for the latest news about products and services for the leisure industry.

To advertise your product and reach over 20,000 leisure buyers call now on +44 (0)1462 431385 or email leisure-kit@leisuremedia.com

subscribe online at www.leisuresubs.com or call +44 (0)1462 431385

HEALTH AND FITNESS

Trust to launch budget gym chain

TOM WALKER

Leisure trust Kirklees Active Leisure (KAL), which operates community leisure services in West Yorkshire on behalf of local authorities, is planning to open two budget gyms in the Huddersfield and Dewsbury areas.

The non-profit KAL currently manages eleven sports centres and swimming pools and is looking to become the first budget gym operator in the region.

Plans are to be developed further over the coming months, with the Huddersfield site aiming for a late summer 2011 opening. Each new gym will provide a minimum of 120 exercise stations (mixing cv and resistance), with equipment to be provided by Technogym.

KAL chair, David Heddon, said: "Budget gyms and health clubs are a way of expanding



KAL is looking to become the region's first budget gym operator

and reaching those who want to focus on using fitness equipment and attending classes at a reasonable price.

"We are now looking to expand upon our existing portfolio of centres and will run this new membership alongside our other quality products and services."

Star Trac transfers assets to new company

LUKE TUCHSCHERER

US-based Star Trac, the fitness equipment supplier, has filed an assignment for the benefit of creditors, effective immediately.

This means the all assets of Unisen, Star Trac's parent company, have been transferred

to a new corporate entity, Core Industries. The firm said that the purpose of this process is to "develop a comprehensive strategic plan to properly monetise the assets for the benefit of creditors and to improve Star Trac's balance sheet to create a healthy company"

Rossendale leisure contractor appointed

PETE HAYMAN

Construction company Kier Northern has been appointed by Rossendale Borough Council (RBC) to deliver two new leisure schemes with a combined worth of £5.6m.

A new swimming pool for Haslingden Sports Centre and new fitness facilities for Marl Pits in Rawtenstall are to be created as part of the project. Kier Northern, which was responsible for the construction of Heywood Sports Village, was selected by the council from four bidding companies.

Plans for the new leisure facilities are to be considered by councillors on 13 December, with work scheduled to commence 'within weeks' if approved.



Concept image of the new-look facilities for Haslingden Sports Centre

RBC portfolio holder for leisure Jason Gledhill said: "This is one of the key milestones in the leisure project."

Mouchel is also working on the scheme.

HAS YOUR CLUB GOT THE FACTOR?



5 REASONS TO SIGN UP!

ATTRACT NEW MEMBERS

ENCOURAGE MEMBER RETENTION

ADD A NEW DIMENSION TO YOUR
LOCAL MARKETING

MOTIVATE YOUR STAFF

FIND OUT WHAT MEMBERS
REALLY THINK

**...AND IT'S FREE
TO ENTER!**

Official Media Partner

health club
management

THE ONLY AWARDS VOTED
FOR BY MEMBERS

**REGISTER
TODAY**

www.healthclubawards.co.uk

East Dumbartonshire backs leisure trust

PETE HAYMAN

East Dumbartonshire Council (EDC) has approved plans for the creation of a new trust to deliver leisure and cultural services. The proposal is designed to help the local authority reduce spending, while also benefiting from charitable status.

EDC is now in the process of recruiting five external directors to sit on the board of East Dumbartonshire Leisure and Culture Trust. Five councillors representing each political party have already been appointed to the board.



How the new Belper leisure centre could look

Belper residents reveal swimming pool preference

PETE HAYMAN

Amber Valley Borough Council has found that residents in Belper, Derbyshire, would like the town's proposed new leisure facility to include a six-lane swimming pool.

More than 250 people participated in a consultation, with 70 per cent calling for a mixed-use swimming and fitness facility.

A total of 67 per cent opted for a facility line-up that would feature a six-lane pool and a 70-station fitness suite. Exercise studios with additional health facilities also comprised the favoured Blue option.

Fire fighters launch exercise classes

TOM WALKER

Fire stations in Coventry are putting in place a series of health-focused family activities – from exercise groups to cooking classes – in an attempt to reduce the number of house fires in the city.

A spokesperson for the West Midlands Fire Service said the classes “may sound like an odd idea at first”, but added that some people are so unfit their reactions aren't quick enough when a fire breaks out. The activities will also address safety issues such as smoking and cooking with chip pans.

Gym4all to open Bradford club

PETE HAYMAN

Budget health club operator Gym4all is poised to open a new 15,000sq ft (1,394sq m) facility at the Leisure Exchange development in Bradford, West Yorkshire.

Property agent Christie + Co was appointed by Gala Coral Group to secure the letting of the unit to Gym4all, which was represented in the deal by Savills.

The new Bradford club will become Gym4all's fourth club, having also secured other sites in Basildon, Essex; Croydon, South London; and Nottingham.

Scheduled to open this month, the health club will feature more than 170 cv stations, resistance equipment and free weights.

Jon Patrick, head of leisure at Christie + Co, said: “The budget gym sector remains firmly in growth mode and we have handled a number of



The new Gym4all site will open at the Leisure Exchange development

instructions on behalf of leisure clients looking to reposition space within their portfolios.

“This latest transaction to Gym4all in Bradford continues the trend.”

Open seven days a week between 6am and 11pm, the Bradford Gym4all will offer initial joining fees priced at £9.99.

Latest adiZone opens at St Albans park

PETE HAYMAN

St Albans City and District Council has opened a new 625sq m (6,727sq ft) outdoor multi-sport facility at Verulamium Park.

The installation of the adiZone, which is designed and developed by Adidas, has been

funded by the council and the government's Co-location Fund.

Inspired by a range of Olympic and Paralympic sports, the facility offers provision for basketball, football and tennis, as well as a climbing wall and a freestyle area.

Active at 60 scheme to launch in January

TOM WALKER

The government has earmarked £1m for a scheme that aims to empower older people to keep physically active.

Community groups in 30 areas across the UK can now bid for money through the Active at 60 initiative, designed to help older people who are at risk of loneliness and social isolation to ‘make the most of their later lives’.

The coalition government is providing £1m to fund the project, which will launch in January 2011.

Minister for pensions, Steve Webb said: “We hope Active at 60 will make a real difference to the quality of life of those approaching retirement or who have just retired, by improving their wellbeing and preventing the risk of social isolation as they grow older.”



The £1m scheme aims to get older people more physically active

Each local community organisation within the selected areas will be expected to recruit at least one Active at 60 community agent who will volunteer their time to help motivate, encourage and organise people within their own communities to become more active, physically, socially and mentally.

Waldorf Astoria to open in 2011

TOM WALKER

The opening date for the 137-bedroom London Syon Park, A Waldorf Astoria Hotel in London, UK, has been set for early 2011.

The luxury hotel will include a day spa called Kallima – named after the lepidopteran that transforms from a leaf like insect to a spectacular butterfly.

The spa will have 11 treatment rooms, including a double VIP suite; a hydrotherapy suite; Vichy shower; a rest and relaxation space; a nail spa; indoor swimming pool; spa pool; sauna and steamroom; and a health club with a team of personal trainers.

There are also plans for an exclusive agreement with celebrity cosmetic surgeon Alex Karidis to offer guests discreet consultations within the spa.



The hotel and Kallima spa have been designed by the Ability Group

The Ability Group has led the design of the hotel, working alongside independent interior design consultants.

The bar and restaurant concepts have been created by the Gorgeous Group.

Syon House and its 200-acre park are owned by the Duke of Northumberland.

SpaFinder Europe launches Glambition

LIZ TERRY

SpaFinder Europe, the spa marketing company which is part of the global SpaFinder organisation, has launched a new website called Glambition to develop marketing for day spas, salons, makeover studios and health

and fitness clubs. The new website complements www.spafinder.co.uk and ties in with the company's gifting programme whereby consumer gift cards are sold via retailers such as WHSmith and redeemed at SpaFinder and Glambition facilities.

Luxury spa for Ramsgate pool centre

TOM WALKER

Thanet District Council in Kent has unveiled new plans for a £3.5m swimming pool and spa at the Ramsgate Sports Centre.

Alliance Leisure is the council's preferred company to realise a scheme which will see the launch of a new day spa. Facilities at the spa will include four treatment rooms, a hydro pool, a steam room, a sauna, a salt grotto, power showers and a foot spa.

There will also be a new building – to be built next door to the existing sports centre – housing a six lane, 25m deck level swimming pool, along with a separate training pool. Other planned improvements to the centre include the



A new spa – including steamroom and sauna – forms part of the plans

introduction of new wet changing facilities and a new entrance and reception area as well as a café area.

Elemental Herbology secures deals

TOM WALKER

UK-based supplier Elemental Herbology has secured deals with two recent, high-profile spa launches – the first EDITION hotel in Waikiki, US and the Siam Kempinski Hotel Bangkok, Thailand.

Founded by spa consultant Kristy Goodger, Elemental Herbology is now available in 20 countries worldwide.

Deals already secured for 2011 include the Rosewood San Miguel de Allende resort spa in Mexico, where the company will provide treatments alongside PRIORI.



Laguna Resort and Spa will host the 2011 event

Global Spa Summit confirms 2011 location

PETE HAYMAN

The Global Spa Summit (GSS) has confirmed that its fifth annual conference is to take place in Bali, Indonesia, between 15-18 May 2011.

Laguna Resort and Spa in Nusa Dua will be the main venue for the spa and wellness sector event, while two days of sessions will take place at the Bali International Convention Center.

The theme of next year's GSS event has also been confirmed as 'Engage the Change: The Money. The Customer. The Future'.

Luxury spa enters receivership

TOM WALKER

The independently-owned Temple Spa in Moate, County Westmeath, Ireland, has gone into receivership.

Located across 90 acres, the spa's operations have been taken over by the receiver, Simon Coyle of advisory firm Mazars.

Speaking to *Leisure Opportunities*, founder and director Declan Fagan blamed the weak Irish economy for the spa's financial troubles. Fagan first opened the business in 1987 and had invested heavily in the spa element during the past three years.



The PAA will cut red tape on health and safety

Go Ape signs primary authority agreement

TOM WALKER

Treetop adventure company Go Ape has signed a primary authority agreement (PAA) as part of a strategy to reduce red tape. The PAA scheme was set up by the government to assist companies operating under two or more local councils.

It aims to provide 'reliable and consistent advice' from a single source when dealing with environmental health, trading standards, and licensing services. The agreement means that one council will oversee health and safety across all 26 Go Ape sites.

New Scottish attractions portal to launch

TOM WALKER

Ticket Scotland.net is set to launch a new consumer-facing attractions portal for visitors in January 2011.

Working closely with suppliers, Ticket Scotland.net will provide a website focusing exclusively on the attractions, activities and tours markets.

Visitors will be able to explore Scotland's history, culture and adventure and book their visits directly using the portal.

Museums shake-up approved by councillors

PETE HAYMAN

Hampshire County Council (HCC) has approved plans to overhaul its museums services as part of efforts to reduce public spending while maintaining collections.

Three attractions – Bursledon Windmill, Eastleigh; Rockbourne Roman Villa; and Curtis Museum and Allen Gallery, Alton – will be run under alternative delivery models. HCC said the reforms would be guided by five principles, including widening participation; maintaining strategic collections; and generating income.

Ashmolean expansion plans approved

PETE HAYMAN

Work is to start on a £5m redevelopment of the Ashmolean Museum's Egyptian galleries after the plans were approved by Oxford City Council.

Rick Mather Architects are behind the designs, which will see existing ground floor galleries transformed. Beard Construction will deliver the work. The project – backed by Lord Sainsbury's Linbury Trust – will also include the creation of a fifth gallery in a space currently occupied by the museum's shop.

The galleries will be closed from 1 January 2011 to allow work to be carried out, with new facilities to open in winter 2011.

Dr Christopher Brown, director of Ashmolean Museum, said: "This new project



IMAGE: RICK MATHER ARCHITECTS

Architectural impression of one of the new Egyptian Galleries

will transform the Egyptian collections – one of the most popular parts of the Ashmolean.

"Rick Mather's design for the galleries will allow us to display material that, for reasons of conservation, has not been seen for up to half a century."

Robert Burns museum opens

PETE HAYMAN

The new £21m Robert Burns Birthplace Museum (RBBM) has been unveiled by the National Trust of Scotland (NTS) in Alloway, Ayrshire.

A 500sq m (5,382sq ft) exhibition space includes four areas – Identity, Inspiration, Fame and Creative Work – to explore the bard's life.

The museum, which replaces the former Burns National Heritage Park, brings together a number of sites in Alloway with a connection to Burns. NTS has worked to ensure the Scots language is

given a prominent role at the attraction, while eco-friendly measures have also been used in its construction.

Exhibition designer Events Communication (lead designer) and Border Construction are among the firms to have worked on the



The new attraction explores Robert Burns's life across four themes

development of RBBM, which received support from the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Scottish Government.

Arnaud Schwartz of architects Simpson and Brown and London-based Spiral Productions have also been involved with the scheme.

HLF announces £45m budget increase

PETE HAYMAN

An additional £45m will be made available by the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) for new grants in 2011-12, it has been confirmed.

The funding agency has confirmed that its overall budget for the next financial year

will be £250m, with a full business plan to be confirmed in spring 2011.

An increase in the share of National Lottery funding available for heritage, approved by the House of Lords on 23 November, has helped increase the HLF budget.

RSC unveils new Stratford home

PETE HAYMAN

The Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) has reopened its new theatre in Stratford-upon-Avon following a £112.8m development programme.

At the centre of the new-look Royal Shakespeare Theatre (RST) is a 1,040-seat main auditorium and a thrust stage, which has halved the distance of the furthest seat from the stage to 15m (49ft).

The four-year development also included the creation of a Rooftop Restaurant to offer views overlooking the River Avon; a Riverside Café and Terrace; and a new Colonnade to link the RST with the Swan Theatre.

To coincide with the relaunch of the RSC's base theatre, the company has also announced details of its 50th anniversary seasons to be held from April 2011. The scheme was designed



The Royal Shakespeare Theatre as seen from Stratford's Clopton Bridge

by Bennetts Associates, with consultants Charcoalblue; engineers Buro Happold; Mace; and Divers Jonas also involved.

RSC executive director Vikki Heywood said: "We have reopened our new home on time and on budget - a result of an extraordinarily collaborative project."

New £19m cultural facility for Manchester

PETE HAYMAN

Two creative organisations in Manchester – Cornerhouse and Library Theatre Company – are to move to a new £19m purpose-built facility in the city centre.

Designed to act as a catalyst for the regeneration of the 20-acre (8.1-hectare) First Street site, the venue will feature up to five cinemas and a 500-seat theatre.

Studio/education space, 600sq m (6,458sq ft) of contemporary gallery provision and an outdoor performance area also form part of the proposals.

The new venue will enable both the Cornerhouse and Library Theatre Company to work in collaboration and will help create a cross-artform production centre.



A design competition is to be held to find an architect for the scheme

Manchester City Council executive member for culture and leisure Mike Amesbury said: "These are extraordinarily exciting proposals which will unlock the regeneration of an important part of the city centre."

SMG Europe to operate York arts venue

PETE HAYMAN

York's Barbican Auditorium is to receive a new lease of life after the local authority revealed that SMG Europe will operate the venue.

A 30-year agreement between City of York Council and the entertainment operator is

designed to help safeguard the long-term future of the iconic venue.

The 1,500-seat Barbican Auditorium is now poised to undergo a £2m refurbishment, which will provide improved public and back-of-house areas and a restaurant.

Royal Ballet poised for O2 Arena dates

PETE HAYMAN

The Royal Ballet has confirmed that it will be staging productions of Kenneth MacMillan's *Romeo and Juliet* at London's O2 Arena next summer.

Three dates – 17, 18 and 19 June 2011 – have been scheduled; the first time the Royal Opera House-based company has performed in a UK arena. Performances will feature a filmed introduction to each act on live-relay screens. The cast will include dancers such as Carlos Acosta, Tamara Rojo and Edward Watson.



The venue is due to open its doors in early 2013

Bangor arts venue scheme secures funding

PETE HAYMAN

Bangor University's plans for the development of a major new arts and innovation complex have received a £27.5m boost. The Welsh Assembly Government and European Regional Development Fund will help fund the £35m Pontio project, which will provide a "major focus" for Welsh culture.

Scheduled to open its doors in early 2013, the proposed North Wales development has been designed by consultants Atkins, Arup and Grimshaw Architects.

Walton Playhouse to undergo renovation

PETE HAYMAN

An arts venue in Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, is in line for a refurbishment after the local authority backed the proposals.

Elmbridge Borough Council has agreed in principle to carry out work on the venue to increase its life span by 10-15 years.

The council's cabinet requested that a further report, including detailed price specifications, be submitted for consideration in January. Initial proposals include a new roof, an improved bar area and upgraded dressing rooms.

Visit London's future is a great concern



UFI IBRAHIM

is chief executive officer of the British Hospitality Association

This month, I wrote to London mayor, Boris Johnson, and business secretary, Vince Cable, expressing the British Hospitality Association's extreme concern at the proposal to withdraw financial support from VisitLondon from next April as part of the Comprehensive Spending Review. The letter was also signed by Ciaran Fahy, chairman of BHA London and managing director of the Cavendish Hotel

The direct result of the withdrawal of LDA's £12m annual funding is that VisitLondon now faces closure - just at the time when the critical time of building momentum for the 2012 Olympic Games is upon us. The letter points out that Visit London is the marketing organisation for the capital which delivers not only leisure visitors in large numbers but also produces significant conference and related business. We are therefore very concerned that funding to promote London is in danger of ceasing altogether in March next year, with the Olympics fast approaching. Without a tourist board, London will lose out badly as a world tourism destination in the coming years.

London, which is the gateway for three-quarters of all visits to the UK, generates more than £16bn in tourism revenue, while BHA's own research shows that the hospitality industry alone employs more than 400,000 people in the capital. VisitLondon's work is estimated to generate an additional £300m in tourism revenue at a total cost of £12m of public funding and £6m in private investment. To put all that revenue in jeopardy just doesn't make sense.

The uncertain future of VisitLondon is reflected in doubts about the survival of tourist agencies throughout England, many of which are funded by RDAs, which are to be scrapped. We believe that the new Local Enterprise Partnerships are a key to promoting tourism in local areas and regions, and we must continue to hammer home the need for support for tourism in areas where it is the main economic driver. There is the danger that tourism goes by default - we must not let that happen.

HOTELS

Scottish golf plans approved

PETE HAYMAN

Outline planning permission has been granted for the development of a new £55m golf, hotel and residential development near Broughty Ferry, Dundee.

Local entrepreneur Mike Forbes' proposals for The Angus have been given the green light by planning officials at Angus Council.

An international competition-standard, 18-hole championship golf course designed by Darren Clarke is at the heart of the scheme, along with a five-star hotel and spa.

A golf youth academy headed by one of Tiger Woods' coaches - Rudy Duran - is also earmarked as part of the development, along with residential units.

Forbes said: "We have worked tirelessly with officials to ensure that we met all of the vital



An artist's impression of the proposed 11th hole at The Angus

considerations which were raised following the initial launch of our proposals. Now, we will work just as hard to attract a leading international operator to take The Angus forward, with our focus on specialists in the United States, China and South Africa."

The development will be adjacent to the existing Forbes of Kingennie Country Resort.

City Inn in rebranding move

TOM WALKER

The City Inn hotel chain is rebranding as Mint Hotel ahead of new openings in London, UK in December and Amsterdam, The Netherlands in the spring of 2011. The move follows research which suggested that the name "did

not do justice" to the "overall experience" of the brand. Aimed largely at business travellers, the City Inn brand was launched in 1995 with a property in Bristol. The company also has hotels in Glasgow, Birmingham, Westminster, Manchester and Leeds.

Roux at The Landau opens in London

PETE HAYMAN

Albert Roux and Michel Roux Jr have unveiled a new restaurant at The Langham, London - the first time the father and son pair have worked together in 19 years.

Roux at The Landau - the David Collins-designed signature restaurant - follows the opening of Roux at Parliament Square in May. Chris King has been appointed chef de cuisine at the new restaurant, having completed an apprenticeship and worked at La Gavroche - another Roux property.

Meanwhile, restaurant manager Franco Becci and head sommelier Zach Saghir complete the front-of-house team at Roux at The Landau. King's team will also create food for the private dining room, Postillion.



The Roux at The Landau is a venture by the father and son chef pair

Roux Jr said: "Chris King is a rising star, and his menus reflect the Roux trademark style of classically-constructed French dishes, blended with today's tastes for lighter choices." Details: www.london.langhamhotels.co.uk

The New SpaFinder iPhone App

Search, Book, Spa!



Available on the
App Store

Powered by
SPABooker
A DIVISION OF SPAFINDER

Connecting over 5,000 spas with spa-goers around the world

Thanks to SpaBooker's patent-pending technology, consumers worldwide can now find spas, check deals and book appointments 24/7. SpaBooker is the fastest-growing spa management software company, and is the only solution that also brings you new customers.

For a free download, visit the iPhone App Store!

To learn more, visit www.Spa-Booker.com or contact: Tracey Solanas, tracey.solanas@spa-booker.com

PARKS

Work starts on Cornwall park restoration

PETE HAYMAN

Cornwall Council has started work on a major refurbishment of Gyllyngdune Gardens and part of Princess Pavilion in Falmouth. Plans drawn up over a number of years are designed to attract more people to the gardens, which date back to the late 19th century and overlook Falmouth Bay.

Exeter-based Midas Construction has been appointed to carry out the improvements, which have been part-funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund.



The scheme will see more trees for urban areas

DEFRA launches Big Tree Plant campaign

MARTIN NASH

DEFRA has launched The Big Tree Plant, aimed at planting one million extra trees in urban areas across England.

The four-year, £4m campaign is a partnership between The Tree Council, Woodland Trust, Trees for Cities, England's Community Forests, DEFRA and the Forestry Commission.

DEFRA's Jim Paice said: "Using the knowledge of local communities and other groups, the scheme will see trees planted in areas where people want and need them."

Councillors approve Aberdeen park restoration

PETE HAYMAN

Planning applications submitted by Aberdeen City Council as part of a £5.38m scheme to overhaul the city's Duthie Park have been approved.

The council and the Heritage Lottery Fund are financing the proposed project, which is designed to rejuvenate the 44-acre (17.8-hectare) Victorian park. Plans include the reinstatement of the former circular pond; the restoration of the historic pavilion; the rejuvenation of the linked lakes; and a revamp of boundary features.

TOURISM

Boost for daylight saving bill

TOM WALKER

Plans to move UK clocks forward during the winter months to ensure lighter evenings have received a boost after the private member's bill passed the second reading at the House of Commons.

The campaign to introduce 'double summertime' has been supported by the Lighter Later group, which has argued that moving clocks forward would help boost the country's tourism industry, as well as making roads safer.

Organisations taking part in the Lighter Later campaign include the Sport and Recreation Alliance (formerly CCPR); British Beer and Pub Association; the British Association of Leisure Parks and Attractions (BALPPA); Tourism Alliance; and Road Safety GB, as well as companies such as Travelodge.



The proposed change would lead to lighter evenings and help tourism

Tourism Alliance vice chair, Brigid Simmonds said: "This is very good news. Not only would this Bill help extend the tourism season, it would also support the government's health agenda by encouraging more people to undertake outdoor activity."

Hanafin outlines tourism investment plans

PETE HAYMAN

Irish tourism, culture and sport minister Mary Hanafin has announced that more than €360m (£305m) is to be invested across the three sectors over the next four years. It comes after the publication of the Irish

government's *National Recovery Plan*, which also see Hanafin's department contribute €76m (£64m) of savings by 2014.

The funding will be targeted at the upgrade of major tourist attractions, and the improvement of infrastructure of eco-tourism.

Cycle hire scheme opens to 'casual users'

PETE HAYMAN

Transport for London (TfL) has revealed that mayor Boris Johnson's cycle hire scheme is now available to "casual users" for the first time.

Launched in July, the Barclays Cycle Hire project is operated by Serco on behalf of TfL but had only been accessible to members until now.

Visitors will now be able to take advantage of the scheme without registering by using credit or debit cards at the 352 docking stations located across the capital.

Since its launch, TfL has reported that more than 108,000 members have signed up, with in excess of 1.9 million journeys made. Around 20,000 journeys are made with the bikes each weekday.



The Barclays Cycle Hire scheme launched to members in the summer

In September, it was revealed that plans to open up access to "casual users" within a month of launch had to be deferred to allow Serco more time to address teething problems.

BADGER ME! [©]

Before you buy
your next name badge!

**When it comes to a
great deal, nothing
is ever black & white**

...except when you deal with Badgemaster,
Britain's favourite badge maker!
Established over 18 years, Badgemaster is
Britain's number one for all round value
and service.

- No pre-payment or contractual commitment required
- No minimum order quantity
- Your same fixed price per badge for all subsequent orders regardless of quantity
- Immediate replenishments for new starters
 - Free, expert design service & samples
- Design & order your own badge online instantly!
- Tailor made ordering, invoicing & management reports to suit you
- Hassle-free roll-out & seamless transfer of supply

**Badger Gilbert to beat your
current deal and see how much
money he could save you.**

For your quick, fixed-price quotation
with **FREE SAMPLE PACK**

call Gilbert on: **01623 723 112**

www.badgemaster.co.uk



Gilbert the Badger is a trademark of Badgemaster Ltd
(No badgers were harmed in the making of this ad).



Badgemaster[®]
Britain's favourite badge maker!

Email: gilbert@badgemaster.co.uk

Hazelford Way Industrial Park Newstead Nottingham NG15 0DQ



Work to start on Bangor regeneration scheme

PETE HAYMAN

Gwynedd Council has announced that work on the next phase of a £3.5m regeneration of Bangor, North Wales, is to start in early 2011. The project is being funded as part of the Welsh Assembly Government's £38m North Wales Regeneration Scheme, which is being delivered in partnership with the local authority.

Work is set to include improvements to the High Street and the Tan y Fynwent areas and is designed to help encourage more people to visit the city.



Lego modellers were involved with the work

Lego children's centre opens in Hillingdon

PETE HAYMAN

More than one million Lego bricks have been used to construct a new children's centre in Hillingdon, West London, which opened on 19 November.

Lego Windsor modellers and WHAT_architecture worked with Hillingdon Council to build the Cowley St Laurence facility.

Children using the venue will be encouraged to use natural resources to play, while services will also include parenting support and financial advice.

Lancashire holiday village plans submitted

PETE HAYMAN

Plans for a new environmentally-friendly holiday park development at the Park Close Quarry site near Salterforth, Lancashire, have been submitted to the local authority.

Bingley-based developer Halton Homes is behind the proposals, which are to be considered by Pendle Borough Council and include 55 lodges.

The proposals, by Blue Bird Design, include a health spa, a retail outlet, a café and managers' accommodation.

Pickles approves Wirral Waters

PETE HAYMAN

Communities secretary Eric Pickles has approved developer Peel Holdings' plans for the £4.5bn transformation of Wallasey and Birkenhead Docks. Wirral Waters is one of the largest planning applications in the UK and was backed by Wirral Council in August, before being referred to the government.

However, Pickles' decision to opt against calling in the scheme for further review means that a public inquiry will not now be required to determine its fate.

Encompassing 18 million sq ft (1.7 million sq m) of land alongside the River Mersey, the plans include a range of restaurants, cafés, bars, a hotel and cultural attractions.

Glenn Howells Architects; BroadwayMalyan; Skidmore, Owings and Merrill; Allford Hall



The development will lead to the transformation of the former docks

Monaghan Morris; and HKR are among the firms to be involved with the design phase.

Wirral Council leader Jeff Green said: "I am delighted the government has demonstrated its trust in allowing local people to make the decision. This is a £4.5bn project which will create many thousands of jobs over 10-15 years."

Sanguine secures £10m Birmingham deal

PETE HAYMAN

Sanguine Hospitality has secured a £10m deal to develop a new four-star hotel, restaurant and a luxury health club and spa at The Cube building in Birmingham.

Michelin-starred chef Marco Pierre White will join forces with the group to open a skyline eatery on the 25th floor, which will offer panoramic views of the city.

The 23rd and 24th floors will become a 52-bedroom Hotel Indigo, while The Club and Spa will occupy the bottom two floors of The Cube.

A wet area comprising a hydrotherapy pool, five thermal treatment rooms; a gym; and a ten-room spa will be among the facilities at The Club and Spa.



Denizen Contracts will start work on the phased fit-out in January

Sanguine's in-house construction firm, Denizen Contracts, will start work on 4 January to deliver the phased fit-out of the scheme. The development is due for completion in August 2011.

Gateshead town centre scheme gets green light

PETE HAYMAN

Gateshead Council has approved plans put forward by Spenhill – the regeneration subsidiary of Tesco – for the mixed-use Trinity Square development. Designed by 3Dreid, the scheme is poised to deliver a new town square,

a student village, 45 retail units and offices, as well as the potential for a hotel.

The development is still subject to a legal agreement, although Gateshead Council anticipates that construction work will be able to get underway by spring 2011.

THE LEVENTHORPE SCHOOL

INVITATION FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR SELECT TENDER LIST



COMMUNITY & SCHOOL SPORTS FACILITIES MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

The Governors of The Leventhorpe School invite expressions of interest (EOI) from suitably experienced companies or organisations. This is for consideration for a shortlist to respond to an invitation to negotiate (ITN) for a management contract. The contract would be for the management of the sports facilities currently under construction at the School. The Leventhorpe School is a Foundation School located in Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire.

The facilities being constructed include a sports and recreation building with a sports hall, fitness gym, dance studio, classroom and indoor and outdoor changing facilities, together with a floodlit artificial turf pitch and floodlit tennis courts.

Companies or organisations must be able to demonstrate knowledge and experience of managing indoor and outdoor community sports facilities. It is anticipated that a contract would be in place for the completion of the facilities scheduled for the summer of 2011.

All those wishing to express interest are required to register such interest and complete the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) by 1200 hours on January 11th 2011. An opportunity to visit the School will be provided prior to the EOI submission date. Those companies passing the pre-qualification evaluation process will then receive an invitation to make a tender submission.

To register interest and to receive the PQQ and additional information please email – gc@lrinternational.co.uk.

The PQQ should be completed and returned in a plain sealed envelope clearly marked "Leventhorpe School & Community Sports Facilities" to: L&R International, 1 Azure Suite, Churchill Court, The Street, Rustington, West Sussex BN16 3DA

The pre-qualification questionnaire should arrive at L&R International no later than 12 Noon on 11 January 2011.

Pre-qualification questionnaires sent by post should be registered or sent by recorded delivery. Faxed or e-mailed PQQs will not be accepted. An official receipt should be obtained for a PQQ delivered by hand.

At the tender stage the School will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

INVITATIONS FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (SUBJECT TO CONTRACT)

Broomhill Outdoor Pool Sherrington Road, Ipswich



Ipswich Borough Council (the "Council") is seeking Expressions of Interest from suitably experienced parties wishing to work up detailed proposals to repair, refurbish and operate this redundant outdoor swimming pool.

The facility was built in 1938 and is a Grade II listed building. The site is owned by the Council and includes a car park.

Planning conditions are likely to limit further re-development potential to ancillary recreational and leisure activities.

The Council will provide up to a maximum of £1 million of capital funding that will be available from 2013/14. The capital contribution from the Council will be conditional upon:

- confirmation of sufficient third party capital funding to allow the re-development to be completed.
- no further capital, revenue or other form of financial guarantee or underwriting being required from the Council.
- the pool being open to the public for swimming.

To register your interest and receive an information pack please contact: Simon Unthank, Ipswich Borough Council
t: 01473 432212 e: simon.unthank@ipswich.gov.uk

The closing date for receipt of Expressions of Interest is noon on 26 January 2011.



Contact: Ian Johnston

Tel: 07887 988438

ian@avadahomes.co.uk

www.the-langham.co.uk

Guide £2.2m

Site Freehold

Hotel and Cottage Site – Prime North Norfolk

This beautiful corner of England has remained one of the country's least discovered and unspoilt leisure destinations. Here natural geographic serenity combines with an endless list of outdoor activities and pursuits.

Within a short drive are many magnificent places of interest including 5 stately homes, numerous vast beaches, the bustling market town of Holt, and many charming villages like Burnham Market, Walsingham, Blakeney, and Wells, just to mention a few.

- 3.5 Acre Site in picturesque conservation village 1 mile from coast
- Detailed planning permission for 30 Bed Luxury Hotel with Spa
- Further permission for 23 Cottages
- In total 100+ rooms with possibility of further hotel rooms
- Site features magnificent Grade II listed building dating back to 15th Century
- Available as freehold site or flexible short/long term investment opportunity
- Design and build service available
- Potential GDV from cottages £7.5m+
- Exceptional hotel trading environment



The Langham Hotel & Cottages

Hospitality & Leisure

Specialist Property Services

**Valuations, Sales, Aquisitions,
Rent Reviews, Expert Witness.**

Contact: Colin White
colin.white@edwardsymmons.com

London • Bristol • Leeds • Liverpool • Manchester • Plymouth • Southampton

**Edward
Symmons**

020 7344 4500

www.edwardsymmons.com

UK and international
property experts
covering all sectors of the
leisure and hotel industry

Alan Plumb
+44 (0) 1865 269000
aplumb@savills.com
savills.co.uk/leisure

savills
savills.com

Rating • Planning & Site Licensing

**CHARLES
F.J. JONES & Son**
LLP
CHARTERED SURVEYORS

**Leading Professional Advisors
to the Leisure Industry
for over 70 years**

Charles F Jones & Son LLP

01244 328141 www.cfj.co.uk

16 Grosvenor Court Foregate Street Chester CH1 1HN

Valuations • Sales & Acquisitions

HL HUMBERTS LEISURE

specialist professional
leisure property expertise

- Sales
- Planning
- Purchases
- Rent reviews
- Arbitrations
- Rating
- Lease renewals
- Expert witness
- Valuations
- Consultancy
- Viability & feasibility
- Funding

London +44 (0)20 7629 6700 South +44 (0)1962 835 960
North +44 (0)1756 799 271 South East +44 (0)1273 325 911
South West & Wales +44 (0)29 2022 6892

www.humberts-leisure.com

LEISURE PROPERTY FORUM CORPORATE MEMBERS' DIRECTORY



For membership information
please contact Michael Emmerson
info@leisurepropertyforum.org

www.leisurepropertyforum.org

3D Reid
Tel: 0121 212 2221
www.3dreid.com

Ashurst LLP
Tel: 020 7638 1111
www.ashurst.com

BCI Design
Tel: 020 7021 0217
www.bci-design.com

Berwin Leighton Paisner
Tel: 020 7760 1000
www.blplaw.com

Brook Street des Roches LLP
Tel: 01235 836614
www.bsdr.com

CB Richard Ellis Ltd
Tel: 020 7182 2197
www.cbre.com

CgMs Consulting
Tel: 020 7583 6767
www.cgms.co.uk

Chase & Partners LLP
Tel: 020 7389 9494
www.chaseandpartners.co.uk

Christie + Co
Tel: 0113 389 1700
www.christiecorporate.com

CMS Cameron McKenna LLP
Tel: 020 7367 2195
www.cms-cmck.com

Colliers International UK plc
Tel: 020 7487 1710
www.colliers.com/uk

Cushman & Wakefield LLP
Tel: 020 7152 5209
www.cushwake.com

Davenport Lyons
Tel: 020 7468 2600
www.davenportlyons.com

Davis Coffey Lyons
Tel: 020 7299 0700
www.coffeygroup.co.uk

DKA Associates
Tel: 020 7034 5267
www.dkallp.com

**DLA Piper Rudnick
Gray Cary UK LLP**
Tel: 020 7796 6155
www.dlapiper.com

Drivers Jonas Deliotte
Tel: 0207 3033702

E3 Consulting Limited
Tel: 0845 230 6450
www.e3consulting.co.uk

Edward Symmons LLP
Tel: 020 7344 4500
www.edwardsymmons.com

Finers Stephens Innocent LLP
Tel: 020 7344 5312
www.fsilaw.com

Fladgate LLP
Tel: 020 3036 7000
www.fladgate.com

Fleurets Limited
Tel: 020 7280 4700
www.fleurets.com

Gala Leisure Limited
Tel: 0115 948 5370
www.galacoral.com

Genting Casinos
Tel: 0118 939 1811
www.gentingcasinos.co.uk

Gerald Eve
Tel: 020 7333 6374
www.geraldve.com

Grant Thornton UK LLP
Tel: 01753 781167
www.uk.gt.com

**Hadfield Cawkwell
Davidson Limited**
Tel: 0114 266 8181
www.hcd.co.uk

**Hermes Real Estate
Investment Management Ltd**
Tel: 020 7680 2145
www.hermes.co.uk

Humberts Leisure
Tel: 020 7629 6700
www.humberts-leisure.com

Indigo Planning
Tel: 020 8605 9400
www.indigoplanning.com

Jones Lang Lasalle
Tel: 020 7399 5326
www.joneslanglasalle.co.uk

Kerry London Ltd
Tel: 020 7623 4957
www.kerrylondon.co.uk

King Sturge LLP
Tel: 020 7087 5500
www.kingsturge.com

Lawrence Graham LLP
Tel: 020 7379 0000
www.lg-legal.com

**Legal & General Investment
Management Holdings Ltd**
Tel: 020 3124 2763
www.lgim.co.uk

Leisure Opportunities
Tel: 01462 471 905
www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

Matthews & Goodman
Tel: 020 7747 3157
www.matthews-goodman.co.uk

**Mayer Brown Rowe
& Maw LLP**
Tel: 020 7782 8890
www.mayerbrownrowe.com

Merlin Entertainments
www.merlinentertainments.biz

**MWB Management
Services Ltd**
Tel: 020 7706 2121
www.mwb.co.uk

Odeon & UCI Cinemas Ltd
Tel: 0161 455 4000
www.odeonuk.com

Olswang
Tel: 020 7067 3114
www.olswang.com

Pinders
Tel: 01908 350500
www.pinders.co.uk

Reed Smith LLP
Tel: 020 3116 3000
www.reedsmith.com

Roberts Limbrick Ltd
Tel: 03333 405500
www.robertslimbrick.com

Royal Bank of Scotland plc
Tel: 020 7672 1752
www.rbs.co.uk/corporate

RTKL-UK Ltd
Tel: 020 7306 0404
www.rtkl.com

Saturn Projects Limited
Tel: 01844 354543
www.saturnprojects.com

Savills (L&P) Ltd
Tel: 020 7409 8700
www.savills.com

Shelley Sandzer
Tel: 020 7580 3366
www.shelleysandzer.co.uk

The Leisure Database Co
Tel: 020 7379 3197
www.theleisuredatabase.com

Thomas Eggar LLP
Tel: 01293 742747
www.thomaseggar.com

Tragus Group
Tel: 020 7121 6432
www.tragusgroup.com

**Vizards Wyeth Solicitors
and Notaries**
Tel: 020 7400 9999
www.vizardswyeth.com

Vue Entertainment Ltd
Tel: 01932 584700
www.myvue.com

**Willmott Dixon
Construction Ltd**
Tel: 01932 584700
www.willmott Dixon.co.uk

X-Leisure
Tel: 020 7592 1500
www.x-leisure.co.uk

Plus there are more than 70 other companies represented by individuals.

Female turnover costing £2.8bn

TOM WALKER

Around 310,000 female workers are leaving the hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism industry each year, costing businesses £2.8bn in replacement recruitment and initial training. The claim is made in a report unveiled by sector skills council People 1st.

Figures from the *Women 1st - the case for change: Women working in hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism* report show that the percentage of women working in the sector has continually declined over the past six years – from 61 per cent in 2004-5 to 56 per cent in 2010.

Furthermore, on average, 25 per cent of the male workforce is employed in management or senior positions, compared to just 18 per cent of females. The report has suggested that there are five key barriers preventing



The report claims that the percentage of women in the sector is declining

the advancement of women to senior roles; the difficulty of combining work with caring responsibilities, a dominant macho culture, preconceptions and gender bias, a lack of networking and a lack of visible women in senior positions. Details: www.people1st.co.uk

Mayor's skills scheme reaches milestone

PETE HAYMAN

More than 1,000 people have signed up to become community sports coaches and officials as part of a £3m initiative launched by London mayor Boris Johnson in June. PlaySport London: Skills Programme is designed to

equip and train Londoners to ensure a grassroots legacy from the 2012 Games.

The fund was established in order to help address a shortfall of more than 40,000 sports coaches. Figures also show that only 50 per cent of existing coaches are fully qualified.

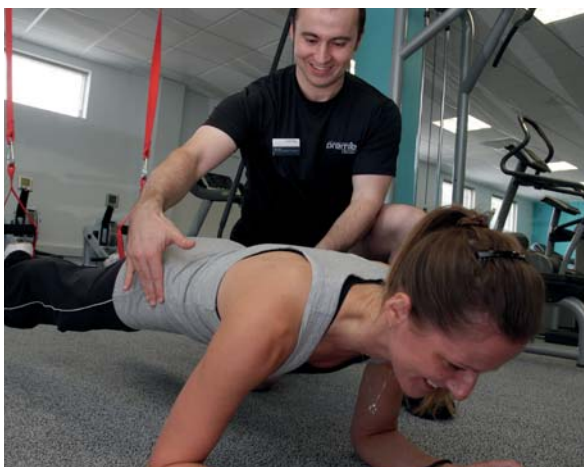
Premier launches new PT diploma

TOM WALKER

Premier Training International will launch its new diploma in personal training in January.

Premier say that the new course could result in up to 4,500 new PTs entering the industry. The course will see the current full time programme reduced by four weeks to allow graduates to qualify in six weeks. The part time programme will also be reduced from eight months to four and a half.

Head of training at Premier Training International, James Wild, said: "Last year we educated and graduated more than 1,400 qualified personal trainers into the industry and this year we look set to increase this number. We have very high levels of demand for our



Premier Training are aiming to train up 4,000 new personal trainers

qualifications – with some courses over subscribed. The new shorter format will allow us to give more people the opportunity to study with Premier."



leisure media
STUDIO

Industry-leading marketing and design services

With more than 30 years' experience, **leisure media studio** will work with you to create bespoke print and web solutions to power your marketing

- ▶ Web design
- ▶ Email marketing
- ▶ Contract publishing
- ▶ Graphic design
- ▶ Digital turning pages
- ▶ Image retouching
- ▶ Illustration
- ▶ Advertising design
- ▶ Direct mail
- ▶ Print

LET US QUOTE YOU

Contact Tim Nash

Tel +44 (0)1462 471917

timnash@leisuremedia.com

leisureopportunities

magazine • job board • e-zine

news & jobs updated daily online

SCHEDULE 2011 CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

	BOOKING AND COPY DEADLINE (NOON)	ISSUE DATE	ISSUE NUMBER
January	10 Jan	14 Jan	1
	19 Jan	25 Jan	2
February	02 Feb	08 Feb	3
	16 Feb	22 Feb	4
March	02 Mar	08 Mar	5
	16 Mar	22 Mar	6
April	30 Mar	05 Apr	7
	13 Apr	19 Apr	8
May	27 Apr	03 May	9
	11 May	17 May	10
	25 May	31 May	11
June	08 Jun	14 Jun	12
	22 Jun	28 Jun	13
July	06 Jul	12 Jul	14
	20 Jul	26 Jul	15
August	03 Aug	09 Aug	16
	17 Aug	23 Aug	17
September	31 Aug	06 Sep	18
	14 Sep	20 Sep	19
October	28 Sep	04 Oct	20
	12 Oct	18 Oct	21
November	26 Oct	01 Nov	22
	09 Nov	15 Nov	23
	23 Nov	29 Nov	24
December	05 Dec	09 Dec	25
	10 Dec	16 Dec	26

Find great staff™

400,000+ READERS

leisureopportunities

10 DECEMBER - 16 DECEMBER 2010 ISSUE 543

Daily news & jobs: www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

'Radical' change to health policy

PETE HAYMAN
Health secretary Andrew Lansley has announced plans for a 'radical' new public health service to encourage people in England to adopt healthier lifestyles. Public Health England will see the government hand over more power to local authorities, with ring-fenced funding from within the overall 2010 budget to be made available. The Department of Health estimates that around 4.6m will be spent on the delivery of the new service, which will also incorporate industry, charities and other departments. In his White Paper, Lansley said the approach would incorporate projects such as the new Cymru Olympic legacy participation programme and the protection of green spaces. Government plans include ensuring communities are designed for 'active ageing', as well as giving every child the opportunity to benefit from the 'best start in life'. Lansley said: "People's health and wellbeing will be at the heart of everything local councils do. Directors of public health will be able to champion local cooperation so that health issues are considered as a priority."

New sustainable resort for EuroDisney

MARTIN NADGE
Euro Disney and Groupama Plaines de France Center Parks have unveiled Les Villages Nature de Val d'Europe (Villages Nature), their new sustainable vacation destination concept. Central to the concept - which envisages 50 per cent of the resort situated in green space - is 'harmony between man and nature', reflected in both the accommodation and the activities offered. The first 175 houses (4.5 a acre) phase is set to open in 2011 and will include the construction of 1,200 apartments and cottages.

February start for £45m Tate project

PETE HAYMAN
Tate has announced that work on a £45m project to transform its original London gallery - Tate Britain - is to start in February 2011. Designed to help conserve the gallery's 19th-century building, the scheme will also entail a major upgrade of the Grade II*-listed attraction gallery. Caruso St John Architects' plan includes the reconstruction of nine galleries in the south-east part of the building and the re-imagining of its main entrance on Millbank. The River House - formerly a watercolour gallery divided into three offices - will return to public use as a single room, while new learning spaces and a café are also to be created. The scheme is scheduled for completion in 2013. Driven by a £45m project manager, with Alan Foster Associates, Macdonald Partners and Turner and Townsend also involved.

the gym

CEO John Teshner launched the venture in 2008. The Gym Group secures £20m expansion funding. PETE HAYMAN
Low-cost health club operator The Gym Group has revealed that it has secured a £20m funding package towards its plans for expansion. Primary investor Bridge Ventures will help finance the group's move to grow its UK portfolio from 15 sites. The Gym Group is looking to acquire up to 10 additional sites during 2011 and aims to expand its estate to 30 clubs over the next two years.

Artists' impressions of the proposed Members Lounge

Artists' impressions of the proposed Members Lounge. A café are also to be created. The scheme is scheduled for completion in 2013. Driven by a £45m project manager, with Alan Foster Associates, Macdonald Partners and Turner and Townsend also involved.

GET LEISURE OPPS
Magazine sign up at: www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/digital
Job board sign up at: www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/jobs
E-zine sign up at: www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/e-zine

PDF for iPad, Kindle & smart phone
www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/digital

Online on digital hearing pages
www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/digital

Instant sign up for instant alerts
www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/alert

Twitter 30 follow us:
[@leisureopp](https://twitter.com/leisureopp)

RSS sign up for job & news feeds
www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/rss

- Recruitment advertising
- Training & education directory
- Tenders & expressions of interest
- Property & businesses for sale
- Display advertising

TO ADVERTISE CONTACT

Annie	+44 (0)1462 471901
Paul	+44 (0)1462 471904
Simon	+44 (0)1462 471905
Emma	+44 (0)1462 471907
Sarah	+44 (0)1462 471908

Leisure Opportunities, Portmill House, Portmill Lane, Hitchin, Herts SG5 1DJ
Tel: +44 (0)1462 431385 Fax: +44 (0)1462 433909 Email: leisureopps@leisuremedia.com

www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

view the latest edition at www.leisureopportunities.co.uk/digital

Register of Exercise Professionals

Love Pilates?

Whatever your background you could turn your love for Pilates into a new and rewarding career

Non-qualified Pilates enthusiasts

- Train as a fully certified STOTT PILATES® matwork instructor
- Full support every step of the way

Qualified fitness & health professionals

- Train as a fully certified STOTT PILATES matwork or reformer instructor
- Qualification at Level 3 through CYQ (optional)
- Earn 16 REPs points per course

STOTT PILATES®
merithew corporation

0800 434 6110
www.activetraining.info

*Registered trademark of Merithew Corporation, used under license. STOTT PILATES® photography © Merithew Corporation.

“Providing training to the leisure and fitness industry in the South East”

- First Aid Instructor (incl Level 3 PTLLS)
- Exercise and Fitness
- Apprenticeships
- Pool Plant
- Other courses available

f freedomleisure training

Speak to us about your training needs on **07500 989624**

info@freedom-leisuretraining.co.uk
www.freedom-leisuretraining.co.uk

leisureopportunities

jobs & news updated daily online

Fortnightly leisure recruitment, training, property and news publication which gets you the right job or the perfect candidate for your vacancy

subscribe online:
www.leisuresubs.com

www.leisureopportunities.com

RAISING THE INDUSTRY STANDARD

A New School of Excellence for a New Era for Personal Trainers to achieve and be more!

New for 2011

5 Week Fast-Track at Lilleshall National Sports Centre, home to the European Institute of Fitness
OR study online on our home-study plus 10-day intensive

Become an EIF Master Trainer™ and stand out

See www.eiflilleshall.co.uk
CALL 0845 0944 007

be more

Focus Training

Adding value to your staff

As an employer of fitness professionals, you'll recognise the value of investment in training them to ensure they deliver the best possible service to your membership.

Fantastic professional courses available in:

- Personal Training
- Exercise to Music
- Gym Instructor
- Step
- Studio Cycling
- Nutrition & Weight Management
- GP Exercise Referral
- And much more.

FOCUS TRAINING

Call Focus Now:

0333 9000 222
or 01204 388330

www.focus-training.com

LAZY TOWN SPORTS CLUB POWERED BY **FitKid**

Earn an income by becoming a LazyTown Sports Club Trainer

Call 08700 85 1000
or email enquiries@fitkid.co.uk
www.fitkid.co.uk

100% OFFICIAL

FitKid is a registered trademark of FitKid Ltd. Copyright © 2010 LazyTown Entertainment. All Rights Reserved.

Leisure Opportunities

training DIRECTORY

From just £534 you can access over 23,000 motivated leisure professionals for 3 months (6 consecutive insertions). Committed to the leisure industry, they are potential students for your courses

TO ADVERTISE
+44 (0)1462 471747
leisureopps@leisuremedia.com

Chronic Respiratory Disease Exercise Instructor Course

*** LAST CHANCE TO APPLY FOR A BLF BURSARY ***

This innovative **distance learning** course (with one contact day and half day assessment) is for exercise professionals who are looking to develop their knowledge of respiratory disease in the context of safe and effective exercise programming for this client group.

The British Lung Foundation would like to welcome applicants to apply for a BLF bursary for a place on this course. The next course will begin in January 2011 for which the application deadline is the **20th December 2010**.

For more details or an application pack go to www.lunguk.org or contact Danielle on 020 7688 5618 or www.exercise@blf-uk.org

Reg. charity of England & Wales - no. 326730
Charity reg in Scotland - no. SC038415

British Lung Foundation Active

Health and Fitness Courses **KINGSTON College**

Kingston College courses provide learners with the opportunity to study for a range of dynamic, industry recognised qualifications and workshops that will give you the edge whether working for employers or as a self employed fitness professional.

Specific Fitness Courses

- Active IQ Level 2 Certificate in Fitness Instructing (Gym)
- Active IQ Level 3 Certificate in Personal Training
- Active IQ Level 2 Certificate in Instructing Circuit Sessions
- National Academy of Sports Medicine Qualifications (NASM)

Specialist Workshops

- POSE Technique Running Workshops
- Enhancing Sports Performance

For more information please contact Glenn Osborn on 0208 268 2575 or glenn.osborn@kingston-college.ac.uk

Why not take control of your HSE First Aid needs?

The Five-Day First Aid Instructor Course
Includes the PTLLS Level 3 Training Qualification

Nuco Training Ltd
08456 444 999
enquiries@nucotraining.com
www.nucotraining.com
www.nucoplus.com

"...I found the Instructor Course to be excellent and a credit to your company..."
Debbie Hull (Bishops Stortford)

City & Guilds Approved Centre

FOR ALL YOUR FIRST AID NEEDS

www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

leisureopportunities
news & jobs updated daily online

YOUR 1ST CHOICE FOR RECRUITMENT & TRAINING

Forthcoming Issues:

17 DECEMBER 2010
Book by NOON on Weds 15 December 2010

14 JANUARY 2011
Book by NOON on Mon 10th January 2011

25 JANUARY 2011
Book by NOON on Weds 19th January 2011

Christmas & New Year ISSUE

Find great staff!
leisureopportunities
New visitor centre for Loch Ness
New sports facility for Gloucester University
Nottingham club for The Gym Group

SIRC
Sport Industry Research Centre

SPORT AND LEISURE STATISTICS
FORECASTS FOR THE SPORT AND LEISURE INDUSTRIES

The Sport Industry Research Centre publishes two annual reports, Leisure Forecasts and Sport Market Forecasts. These reports provide valuable insight into future market trends.

Both publications are essential references for industry practitioners, consultants and researchers.

The Sport Market Forecasts are produced in conjunction with Sport England.

To find out more please visit
www.shu.ac.uk/ad/sportandleisure

Or contact
Susie Shaw
Phone 0114 225 5919
Fax 0114 225 4341
Email s.shaw@shu.ac.uk

Sheffield Hallam University **SPORT ENGLAND**

help us get dudley moving

Do you have a passion for the outdoors? Can you help ordinary people to become active in our parks? Can you work with partners and community groups to deliver a programme of fun activities? If so then you could be just what we're looking for.

Dudley has been awarded £4.5 million to transform five of its borough's parks and play areas into 'family health hubs'.

We're appointing 1 full time senior park ranger and 1 part time (weekend) park ranger, both on a fixed term contract. They will deliver programmes and promote healthy messages from the Change 4 Life initiative by supporting and delivering events and activities including walking, physical activity and play.

Senior park rangers will hold at least an NVQ level 3 in an environmental subject, sports development, leisure or community development. Experience in supervisory or managerial role and working with community groups and public bodies is also essential.

Park rangers will hold at least an NVQ 2 in sports and recreation, play, environment or horticulture and will have experience in working with local communities.

Closing date 17 December 2010.

Interviews will be held 20 January 2011

For more information, or to download an application pack, visit www.dudley.gov.uk or call 01384 811300. For more information on the project visit www.dudleyhealthytowns.co.uk



The Access to Sports Project is looking to recruit:



Sports Training & Volunteer Coordinator

Salary: £23,000 - £24,800 37.5 Hours Per Week. Based on qualification & experience
Fixed Term Contract until 31/3/2012 - will involve evening and weekend work.

The role of this post will be to lead a programme of Accredited Sports Leadership, Coach Education training and Volunteer opportunities for young people aged 14-25 in Islington, Haringey and Hackney. This will involve supporting young people from training into volunteering as well as helping to support the development of new and existing local sports organisations.

There will be a particular focus upon increasing participation amongst groups who are under-represented in current sporting provision including BME groups, People on Low incomes, and young women.

You will need:

- A passion for sport
- A commitment to improving opportunities for young people.
- A background in youth, sports or community development is essential as is a commitment to developing opportunities for local people and groups.
- A track record of project delivery and partnership working.
- Experience of working in a diverse inner-city setting.

Closing date: December 22nd 2010
Interviews week beginning: January 3rd 2011

To find out more about this post and to receive an application pack please call: 020 7686-8812 or email: access2sports@aquaterra.org

www.accesstosports.org.uk



leisure opportunities joblink

Book a joblink with us and we'll put your logo and company name on every page of the Leisure Opportunities website www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

This advert will have a hyperlink to your website, where you can list all the job vacancies in your company.



Go to www.leisureopportunities.co.uk and click on the link to see the latest jobs from...



TO BOOK Call: +44 1462 471747
and start getting applications for your jobs IMMEDIATELY!

General Manager

Circa £40k per annum

Stevenage Leisure Limited is a vibrant leisure company which operates 17 facilities for five different local authorities.

For this post, we are ideally looking for a high achieving and ambitious General Manager who has gained exposure to managing large budgets and large teams within high usage, multi-faceted facilities.

You will have financial and operational accountability for two centres, and will be required to drive the business through the effective management, coaching and development of your teams. You will need to ensure targets are achieved, whilst delivering exceptional service standards across the facilities.

It is essential that you are passionate about your work, have fantastic people management skills, and a strong commercial focus with a proven track record in developing innovative businesses.

Further details on this post are available by contacting Donna Radics, HR Manager, on 01438 242080.

If you would like to apply, please forward your CV, together with covering letter explaining why you feel you are the best person for the job (as per the person specification) and details of current salary and salary expectations, to Donna Radics, HR Manager, Stevenage Leisure Limited, Arts & Leisure Centre, Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 1LZ.
Email: recruitment@stevenage-leisure.co.uk



Closing date for applications is Friday, 17 December 2010.

Interviews will be held 5 and 6 January 2011.

SLL is an Equal Opportunities Employer.

For more details on the following jobs
visit www.leisureopportunities.co.uk
or call +44 (0)1462 431385



Personal Trainers

Company: The Laboratory Spa
Location: London, United Kingdom

Head of Events and Hospitality

Salary: c.£27,000
Company: JORVIK Viking Centre
Location: York, United Kingdom

Castle Manager

Salary: By negotiation
Company: Glamis Castle
Location: Angus, United Kingdom

Sports Training

Salary: £23,000 - £24,800
Company: Access to Sports Project
Location: London, United Kingdom

General Manager

Salary: Circa £40k per annum
Company: Stevenage Leisure Limited
Location: Stevenage, United Kingdom

Chief Executive

Company: Gosling Sports Park
Location: Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, United Kingdom

Club Managers

Company: Total Fitness UK Ltd
Location: Manchester and Liverpool, UK

Become a Personal Trainer

Company: Premier Training International Ltd
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom

Become a Nutritional Therapist

Company: Premier Training International Ltd
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom

Become a Massage Therapist

Company: Premier Training International Ltd
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom

Become a Gym Instructor

Company: Premier Training International Ltd
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom

Part time (weekend) Park Ranger

Company: Dudley MBC Location: Dudley, United Kingdom

Senior Park Ranger

Company: Dudley MBC
Location: Dudley, United Kingdom

General Managers

Company: Fusion
Location: London, United Kingdom

Coach Soccer with the New York Red Bulls

Company: Red Bull New York
Location: United States
Closing date: 17 Dec 2010

Leisure Assistant

Company: Hilton Coylumbidge
Location: Aviemore, Scotland

Personal Trainers Wanted!

Company: YOUR Personal Training
Salary: OTE £40-60K
Location: Various (see details) United Kingdom
Closing date: 14 Jan 2011

Trainee Personal Trainer / Fitness Instructor

Company: The Training Room
Salary: £20K-£30K
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom
Closing date: 01 Mar 2011

Become a Gym Instructor

Company: YMCA Fitness Industry Training
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom
Closing date: 31 Oct 2011

Become a Personal Trainer

Company: YMCA Fitness Industry Training
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom
Closing date: 31 Oct 2011

Become an Exercise to Music Instructor

Company: YMCA Fitness Industry Training
Location: Nationwide, United Kingdom
Closing date: 31 Oct 2011

Specialist Courses

Company: YMCA Fitness Industry Training
Location: London, United Kingdom
Closing date: 31 Oct 2011

Beauticians

Company: Relax
Salary: £16,500 plus commission
Location: London, United Kingdom

Spa Therapist

Company: Celtic Manor Resort
Location: Newport, South Wales, UK
Closing date: 23 Dec 2010

Assistant Spa Manager

Company: Celtic Manor Resort
Location: Newport, South Wales, United Kingdom
Closing date: 23 Dec 2010

Aqua Sana World of Spa Manager

Company: Center Parcs
Salary: £40k per annum
Location: Longleat Forest, Wiltshire, United Kingdom
Closing date: 31 Dec 2010

Operations Manager

Company: National Trust
Salary: £30,951 per annum
Location: Swanage, Dorset, United Kingdom

for more news and jobs updated daily visit
www.leisureopportunities.co.uk

JOB VACANCIES



Senior Health & Fitness Advisor

Littledown Centre and Pelhams Park Leisure Centre, Bournemouth
37 Hours a week £18,453 per annum

BH Live, a new leisure and cultural trust with award winning leisure facilities in Bournemouth, is looking for two Senior Health & Fitness Advisors to co-ordinate the day to day operation of high quality Gyms at the Littledown Centre and Pelhams Park Leisure Centre.

Applicants must have a Level 3 Fitness Instructors Qualification, practical supervisory/management experience within the leisure industry. They must also possess excellent communication skills, be a positive team player and have a genuine passion to provide outstanding customer service. This is a rota based position that would involve working evening & weekends.

To apply please email your CV and covering letter to
liz.ferrone@bhlive.co.uk or download application form from www.bhlive.co.uk Closing date – Tuesday 14th December 2010

Deputy General Manager



The Reebok Sports Club London is widely regarded as London's premium Health Club, Restaurant and Spa. We are currently recruiting for a Deputy General Manager.

The applicant will have responsibility for the Reception, Duty Manager and Reebok Shop teams. They will oversee all aspects of operations in the absence of the General Manager.

They will have a minimum of 2-3 years experience at Operations or General Manager level- delivering high standards of service, working to achieve budget targets, recruiting and performance managing teams, enforcing health and safety systems and developing and strengthening a member retention strategy.

Excellent customer service and people skills are required and applicants will be expected to work days, evenings and weekends and be Duty Manager at allocated times.

Please apply via e-mail with CV and cover letter to John Penny, General Manager at john.penny@reebokclub.co.uk Salary - OTE £37K



Female Senior Stylist

**PERMANENT POSITION
BASED IN ABU DHABI
(LADIES ONLY HAIR SALON)
6 DAYS A WEEK**

Female Senior Stylist required for our ladies only salon in Abu Dhabi

Responsibilities will include: Full consultation with clients, building new clientele, referring clients for color, recommending products and services, acting as a role model for the team.

Previous experience within a busy salon and an NVQ level 2 (or equivalent) in Hairdressing is essential

Competitive Salary + benefits

Email your cv to careers@dashingnails.com

TOTAL FITNESS

Leisure Clubs



Are you looking for a **TOTAL** change?

TOTAL FITNESS one of the North's leading Health & Fitness operators is looking to recruit **CLUB MANAGERS** for our Walkden (Manchester) and Sefton (Liverpool) clubs.

Ideally you must be a flexible, ambitious professional who is committed to providing a consistently high level of customer service with a positive attitude towards both the Sales and the Operations of their club.

Being capable of motivating staff to create a friendly atmosphere within the club and which, by its very nature, promotes retention.

You should be dynamic, adaptable and able to communicate effectively at all levels and endeavor to lead by example in terms of job performance and business growth.

Please apply using our online application form which can be found on www.totalfitness.co.uk or call 0161 440 2637 to request an application pack.

TITANIC SPA



Due to our continued success, Yorkshire's leading Destination Spa is now looking to expand its team of professional, committed and customer-focussed team members, in the role of

- **Spa Therapist**
- **Spa Receptionist Supervisor**
- **Spa Leisure Attendants**
- **Bistro Supervisor**

The right candidates will enjoy excellent salaries and benefits so if you are interested in a rewarding position, are passionate and service-focussed then we would love to hear from you.

To apply, please send a covering letter along with your CV to:

**Alex Jones, Spa Manager, Titanic Spa,
Low Westwood Lane, Linthwaite,
Huddersfield, HD7 5UN or apply via
email to alex.jones@titanicspa.com**

TRANQUIL – BEAUTIFUL – ETHICAL

Green light for Tithebarn project

PETE HAYMAN

A cinema, cafés and bars are to be created as part of a multi-million pound regeneration scheme in Preston, after the plans were approved by the government.

The mixed-use Tithebarn project has been given the go ahead by communities secretary Eric Pickles after the proposals were called in.

Preston City Council (PCC), which is working alongside developer Lend Lease to deliver the regeneration scheme, welcomed the government's decision.

PCC leader Ken Hudson said: "Now that we have planning permission, we can continue to work closely with our partners to decide what the next stages are."



A cinema, cafés and bars are proposed as part of the Tithebarn plans

"With our partners Lend Lease and Lancashire County Council, we can now start to take Tithebarn forward with renewed energy and enthusiasm."

Food sales help drive pub groups' trading

PETE HAYMAN

Food sales helped both Greene King and Marston's to report an increase in revenues and pre-tax profits.

Marston's revealed in its figures for the year ending 2 October that food now accounts for

40 per cent of its sales – up five per cent on the previous 12 months.

Meanwhile, Greene King, which owns the Hungry Horse and Loch Fyne brands, saw pre-tax profits for the 24 weeks to 17 October grow by more than 17 per cent to £73.1m.

NLC finalises Baths Hall deal

PETE HAYMAN

North Lincolnshire Council (NLC) has finalised a deal with SMG Europe that will see the entertainment company operate Scunthorpe's Baths Hall and Plowright Theatre.

SMG will manage Plowright Theatre from 1 April 2011, while the £14m Baths Hall venue is due for completion in autumn 2011. Existing employees at the theatre will be retained by the local authority, but will come under the management of SMG. Meanwhile, it is anticipated that the new venue will create 70 jobs.

NLC leader Mark Kirk said: "SMG has ambitious plans for the Baths Hall and the Plowright Theatre and I for one can't wait to see the doors open."

SMG Europe theatres director Nick Reed added: "The scale and flexibility of the Baths Hall will now combine with the established



The new Baths Hall venue will be managed by SMG

charm of the Plowright Theatre to provide the town with a suite of entertainment facilities un-matched in most cities."

Other venues currently operated by SMG include Belfast's Odyssey Arena. It has also been appointed to run the new Leeds Arena.

- Arts & Business +44 (0)20 7378 8143
www.aandb.org.uk
- ALVA +44 (0)20 7222 1728
www.alva.org.uk
- Arts Council +44 (0)20 7333 0100
www.artscouncil.org.uk
- ASVA +44 (0)1786 475152
www.asva.co.uk
- BALPPA +44 (0)20 7403 4455
www.balppa.org
- BHA +44 (0)845 880 7744
www.bha-online.org.uk
- BICM +44 (0)845 217 1811
www.bicm.co.uk
- BiSL +44 (0)20 8780 2377
www.bisl.org
- CCPR +44 (0)20 7976 3900
www.ccpr.org.uk
- CMAE +44 (0)1334 460 850
www.cmaeurope.org
- Countryside Agency +44 (0)1242 521381
www.countryside.gov.uk
- CPRE +44 (0)20 7981 2800
www.cpre.org.uk
- English Heritage +44 (0)870 333 1181
www.english-heritage.org.uk
- FSPA +44 (0)2476 414999
www.sportsandplay.com
- FIA +44 (0)20 7420 8560
www.fia.org.uk
- HHA +44 (0)20 7259 5688
www.hha.org.uk
- IAAPA +1 703 836 4800
www.iaapa.org
- IEAP +44 (0)1403 265 988
www.ieap.co.uk
- Institute of Hospitality +44 (0)20 8661 4900
www.instituteofhospitality.org.uk
- ISPAL +44 (0)845 603 8734
www.ispal.org.uk
- LPF +44 (0)1462 471932
www.leisureprop.com
- LMCA +44 (0)1278 436910
www.lmca.info
- MLA +44 (0)20 7273 1444
www.mla.gov.uk
- NPFA +44 (0)20 7833 5360
www.playing-fields.com
- People 1st +44 (0)870 060 2550
www.people1st.co.uk
- REPs +44 (0)20 8686 6464
www.exerciseregister.org
- SAPCA +44 (0)24 7641 6316
www.sapca.org.uk
- Sports Aid +44 (0)20 7273 1975
www.sportsaid.org.uk
- Sport England +44 (0)8458 508 508
www.sportengland.org
- Springboard +44 (0)20 7497 8654
www.springboarduk.org.uk
- SkillsActive +44 (0)20 7632 2000
www.skillsactive.com
- Tourism Management Institute
+44 (0)1926 641506
www.tmi.org.uk
- Tourism Society +44 (0)20 8661 4636
www.tourismsociety.org
- VisitBritain +44 (0)20 7578 1000
www.visitbritain.com
- World Leisure +1 250 497 6578
www.worldleisure.org