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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Debenham Community Swimming Pool

I am writing in support of the above project. Debenham is in a rural part of our district and for many, access to facilities can be difficult. Having a Swimming Pool in Debenham would help to overcome one of the barriers that prevent many people who live in this rural area from taking part in regular sporting activity – accessibility.

The Council completed our most recent Needs Assessment in 2006, which was titled *Mid Suffolk Infrastructure Including Open Space, Sport and Recreation Assessment*. This document is in the process of being updated but I can confirm that this project is in line with the identified strategic needs in the district. With regards to Swimming Pools there is an apparent existing shortfall and coupled with significant population growth in the district further swimming provision can be justified.

Therefore I conclude Mid Suffolk District Council is happy to endorse and support the Debenham Community Swimming Pool's application.

If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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