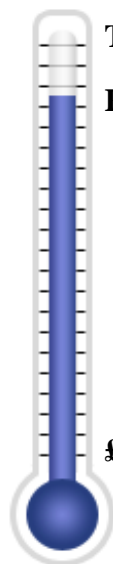


## We're nearly there!



Target: £150,000

Raised: £136,000\*

\* includes £40,000  
promised by  
housing developer  
payment due in 2017

£0

## Where will it be?

In the Cullompton north-west extension, near St. George's Well, close to the new primary school (not yet built) and within easy walking distance of the health centre.

We must wait about 3 years for the new northern relief road to be built before we can access the site, as it's currently just a field in the middle of nowhere.

This new site (around 2 acres in size) is considerably larger than any we've been offered previously, and will allow us to achieve everything we've planned and still leave room for future growth.

## How you can help

Please come and help us build and run a community-owned, community-run swimming pool and learner pool, plus Mid Devon's first hydrotherapy pool ... and much more!

- Join our team (we need 5 more people)
- Volunteer in our shop (just 2 hrs/week) (if you don't want to man the till you could sort/clean/iron/price donations)
- Help us find and apply for grants
- Help us find donors and sponsors
- Help deliver leaflets, posters, surveys
- Help at an event or run one of your own
- Donate money or a raffle prize or something we can sell in our shop
- Join our 50/50 Club (£1 per month)
- Help us collect a mile of 20p coins
- 'Like' our Facebook page

**Just one little thing will help!**

## How to contact us

**Visit our shop:**

15 Fore Street, Cullompton, EX15 1JS  
(next to Bubbles launderette)

**Telephone:**

01884 33978 (Admin)

07510 308 949 (Shop)

**Email:** [admin@cullypool.org.uk](mailto:admin@cullypool.org.uk)

**Website:** [www.cullypool.org.uk](http://www.cullypool.org.uk)

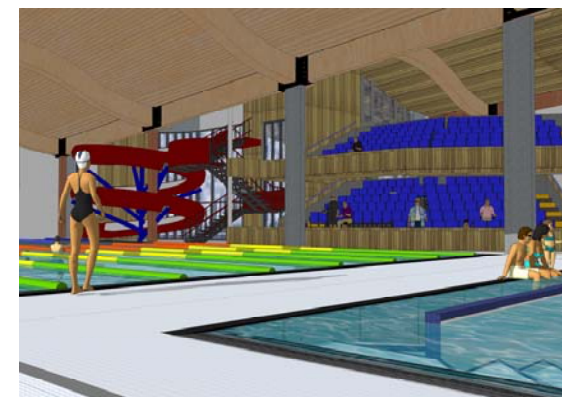
We're also on **Facebook** and **Twitter**

## Cullompton Swimming Pool Campaign



## Information

**Summer 2016**



**Registered Charity  
1161344**

**Patron:  
Sharron Davies MBE**

## Our Aims

We're aiming to build and run a 25-metre 6-lane indoor, heated swimming pool and learner pool in Cullompton, along with a self-contained hydrotherapy suite (the first in Mid Devon).

We're also aiming to add extra facilities for the whole family, including a fitness room, dance studio, café and (maybe) a ten-pin bowling alley and a climbing wall.

We're aiming to raise the first £150,000 ourselves (we're nearly there), and the rest (about £2.5 million) from benefactors and donors, sponsors, grants and selling shares.

We're working closely with an architect – his latest design ideas can be seen on our website. We're also gathering evidence and running a survey to support our grant applications. Our business plan is available for inspection upon request.

The whole complex will be owned by the community and run as a social enterprise, managed by a panel of voluntary trustees.

Running a pool this way is not as expensive as it once was. We can:

- use volunteers for many of the roles
- use green energy systems for heating and electrical systems
- use very few chemicals by using alternative systems such as UV

## Campaign History

A campaign to build a pool in Cullompton has been running on and off since 1922. Many older residents can remember their grandparents donating money for a pool when they were children. Unfortunately the campaign ground to a halt several times over the years, and all the money raised up to 1985 was returned to the community (including gifts to servicemen returning from WWII, the purchase of the CCA fields, and maintaining the old Community College pool). Every penny raised since 1985 is in our bank account.

Culm Valley Swimming Club (later known as Culm Valley Swimming Pool Campaign) began in October 1985 (with a balance of £0) and was based at the Community College pool (which was closed in 2001 due to repeated vandalism and has now been filled in). They raised over £55,000 by 2011, and made a profit of over £23,000 after deducting the costs of running the pool and other expenses. (Their full accounts are on our website.)

Cullompton Swimming Pool Campaign was formed in August 2011 when the Culm Valley Swimming Pool Campaign ended. We inherited the £23,000 and have since increased it to over £76,000. A further £20,000 is held in trust for the hydrotherapy pool and a housing developer has promised us £40,000. So we are over 90% of the way to our £150,000 target.

## Do It Yourself!

In 2004 Mid Devon District Council commissioned a feasibility study which showed that a pool in Cullompton would be too costly for them to build and operate. It acknowledged there was an unmet need for a pool and suggested that the community could form a charitable/social enterprise and take on the project themselves – which we have done!

We formed a steering group in 2011 and became an independent Charitable Incorporated Organisation in April 2015.

Most community-run pools are highly successful and self-sustaining, and they cost Council Tax payers nothing. In this area they include Axminster (Flamingo Pool), Chudleigh, Clyst Hydon, Crewkerne, Kingsteignton, South Molton, Topsham and Wiveliscombe. We've visited several of these and they've been happy to help us and share their expertise.

Cullompton's long-awaited pool is (hopefully) just 4 years from opening. We could really use your help to keep the campaign running through its final stages, and to help us run the pool when it opens.

We are a small but enthusiastic team that is determined to make this project work. We are all volunteers who give a few hours a week to make the pool a reality. If we had a bigger team we could do so much more.