

the weather

Plymouth five day outlook

Afternoon
High: 17°C 63f
Low: 14°C 57f
It will stay fine with sunny spells. Light northerly winds.

Tonight
High: 8°C 46f
Low: 5°C 41f
CLEAR SPELLS
Staying dry with clear spells. Light northerly winds.

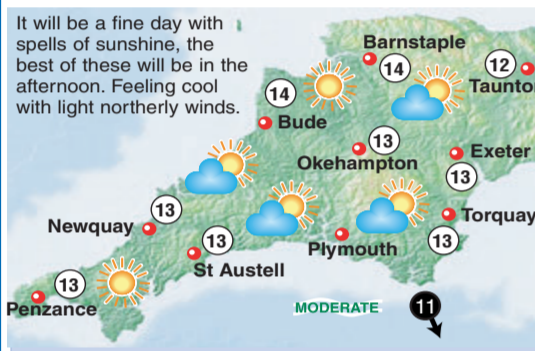
Thursday
High: 18°C 64f
Low: 15°C 59f
Warmer than recent days with sunny spells. Light north-westerly winds.

Friday
High: 20°C 68f
Low: 17°C 63f
Feeling warm with sunny spells. Light northerly winds.

Saturday
High: 20°C 68f
Low: 17°C 63f
Another fine day with sunny spells and light northerly winds.

Sunday
High: 21°C 70f
Low: 18°C 64f
Dry again with warm sunshine and light winds, variable direction.

Plymouth tomorrow



Marine/Surf Forecast

Banham: Winds northerly at 5-8 knots. Waves 1-2 feet. Visibility good.
Constantine: Winds north-westerly at 5-8 knots. Waves 1-2 feet. Visibility good.
Croyde: Winds north-westerly at 5-8 knots. Waves 1-2 feet. Visibility good.
Newquay: Winds north-westerly at 4-7 knots. Waves 1-2 feet. Visibility good.
Perranporth: Winds north-westerly at 4-7 knots. Waves 1-2 feet. Visibility good.
Polzeath: Winds north-westerly at 5-8 knots. Waves 1-2 feet. Visibility good.

Sun & Moon

Sun sets 21:18
Sun rises 05:11
Moon rises 08:38
Moon sets 00:57
Lighting-up times 21:18 - 05:11

times in BST
First Quarter: June 3

Tides tomorrow

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Salcombe	09:56	4.3m	22:01 4.6m
River Yealm	09:56	4.5m	22:01 4.8m
Plymouth	09:50	6.1m	21:55 4.8m
Padstow	09:33	6.1m	21:51 6.2m
Newquay	09:18	5.8m	21:37 5.9m
Looe	09:41	4.4m	21:46 4.7m
Fowey	09:38	4.5m	21:43 4.8m
Falmouth	09:27	4.2m	21:42 4.5m
Dartmouth	10:09	4.3m	22:19 4.6m
Saltash	09:55	4.7m	22:00 5.0m

UK tomorrow

	°C	°F		°C	°F		
Aberdeen	12	54	f	Glasgow	15	59	f
B'mouth	17	63	f	Ipswich	13	55	f
Belfast	14	57	c	Jersey	14	57	s
Berwick	12	54	c	Leeds	13	55	f
Birmingham	16	61	f	Liverpool	15	59	f
Blackpool	15	59	s	London	17	63	f
Brighton	16	61	f	Manchester	16	61	f
Cardiff	15	59	f	Newcastle	12	54	f
Carlisle	15	59	f	Nottingham	15	59	f
Cork	16	61	f	Southampton	17	63	f
Dublin	14	57	f	Southend	15	59	f
Edinburgh	15	59	f	York	14	57	f

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10,000 reasons why we need a Life Centre



LET'S BUILD IT

THE Evening Herald today presents more than 10,000 reasons why Plymouth should have a £50million Life Centre. That's how many people have signed our Let's Build It petition, which calls for Lottery cash to help transform the city's dream for first-class sports facilities into reality.

The city council has plans for a major complex in Central Park, which would combine Olympic-standard facilities with purpose-built spaces for music, arts and healthy living.

Council chiefs has bid for £25million of Lottery money to go towards the project, which would bring a landmark building to the city.

It would offer Olympic swimming and diving facilities, alongside spaces for curling, volleyball, cricket, bowling, ice hockey, martial arts and many other sports.

The complex would also include sound and dance studios, a music and arts performance arena, a cardiac rehab and sports injury clinic, a healthy living advice centre, a library, a youth, homework and cyber centre, a sculpture trail, cycle hire, and an outdoor amphitheatre.

Other attractions could include restaurants, a multiplex cinema and a bowling alley. Supporters of the campaign have included world-class athletes, business leaders, politicians, sports clubs, musicians, artists, architects and community groups.

Council leader Tudor Evans said: "The project is exciting, it's needed, it's wanted, and it has tremendous support. Plymouth needs to be uppermost in the minds of the Lottery Commissioners because the people of this city deserve top-class facilities and this is a project of regional and national significance."

Alison Seabeck, Labour MP for Plymouth Devonport, said: "The importance of the Life Centre can't be underestimated. We need top-class facilities. We also need to improve the general health of our population."

Gary Streeter, Tory MP for South West Devon, said: "It could become the jewel in the crown. Plymouth is getting its act together in many ways, but we do lack quality health and leisure facilities. It's time the city had facilities like this."

Linda Gilroy, Labour MP for Plymouth Sutton, said: "This is a much-needed facility for the city. It would be a great asset to Plymouth and add value to people's lives."

Colin Breed, Lib Dem MP for South East

by **ROB PREECE**
Council Reporter

Cornwall, said: "I am fully behind this campaign. There is a real need for first-class facilities that will benefit the whole area."

Hayley Trower, one of the city's Members of Youth Parliament, said: "Without this superb opportunity, many young people will be denied a chance to develop various life skills - and Plymouth will be left being poorly equipped in the way of public facilities compared with other expanding cities across the country."

Big names from the world of sport say that building the Life Centre would be a winning move.

Olympic medal-winning swimmer Sharron Davies, who was brought up in Plymouth, said that the Life Centre would meet the "desperate need for sporting facilities in the West Country". Ms Davies told the Herald: "This project could make Plymouth one of the most attractive places for international-standard sportsmen and women to come and train. If you have great facilities, you'll find great talent."

Scott Dann, Plymouth's own British and Commonwealth middleweight boxing champion, said that the complex would be "tremendous" for the city.

England's first £1million footballer Trevor Francis, who grew up in Pennycross, said: "There could be some world-class sports, dance and music stars in Plymouth and this is what they need to be able to achieve their potential."

Plymouth Argyle hero Tommy Tynan said: "A multi-sport and multi-facility complex won't just appeal to 10 or 20 per cent of the population - it'll provide for 100 per cent."

Charlotte Edwards, England women's cricket team captain, said: "Providing sports facilities for children of today and the future is very important and to have such facilities as these would be a huge bonus for the South West."

Four-times Olympic gold medalist Sir Matthew Pinsent, Plymouth Argyle boss Tony Pulis, and Plymouth Albion chairman of rugby Graham Dawe have also joined our campaign.

Other star names on the petition include city sprinter Katherine Endacott, Plymouth Raiders basketball players Gavin Love and Jamie Burchill, and Ivybridge weightlifter



by **MATT FLEMING**, Herald Reporter, who has been on the campaign trail to get you to sign up for the Life Centre

THE people of Plymouth should give themselves a pat on the back. I have been touring the city during the past fortnight, rushing around in a frenzy, trying to get people to sign our Let's Build It campaign petition.

And the response has been overwhelming. Plymouthians have been adding their names to the thousands collected - and others have gone the whole hog, taking our petitions around their schools, businesses and neighbourhoods in a bid to show the weight of support behind our important campaign.

Apart from a handful of people who have been worried that the Life Centre will be built on green space - which is just not true - everyone has backed the campaign. They know the city needs a facility for sport, music, drama, health, education and leisure. Businesses such as Orange, DML and Gleason have shown plenty of support, as well as the Royal Navy, the university, the College of Further Education, the Barbican Megabowl, the Hub and, of course, the city council. Schools - particularly Lipson, Estover, Eggbuckland and John Kitto Community Colleges - provided hundreds of names.

Sports personalities such as boxer Scott Dann, rower Sir Matthew Pinsent, Olympian Sharron Davies and Argyle manager Tony Pulis have backed us - some appearing at 'Roadshows' in schools and businesses. But it has been the collective support of all the people in the city which needs a big thanks from the Evening Herald - and that's just what they get.

Michaela Breeze, who won gold for Wales in this year's Commonwealth Games.

However, the Life Centre would be much more than just a sports complex - and a host of celebrities from other fields have signed up for the campaign.

They include This Morning co-presenter Phillip Schofield, who was brought up in Newquay and worked on Hospital Radio in Plymouth from the age of 15.

Mr Schofield said that it was time Plymouth's facilities were brought up to the standards of similar-sized cities, with the Life Centre offering a "multitude of opportunities to develop talents".

Mercury Music Prize nominee and burgeoning folk star Seth Lakeman, from Horrabridge, said that the recording facilities in the Life Centre would "change the fortunes of local



A letter from Alison Seabeck MP, Gary Streeter MP, Linda Gilroy MP and Colin Breed MP

AS MPs, our job is to represent thousands of people in and around Plymouth and to make sure the city and the region get the money and the facilities they deserve. This is why we today set aside our political differences and pledge wholehearted cross-party support for the Herald's Let's Build It campaign.

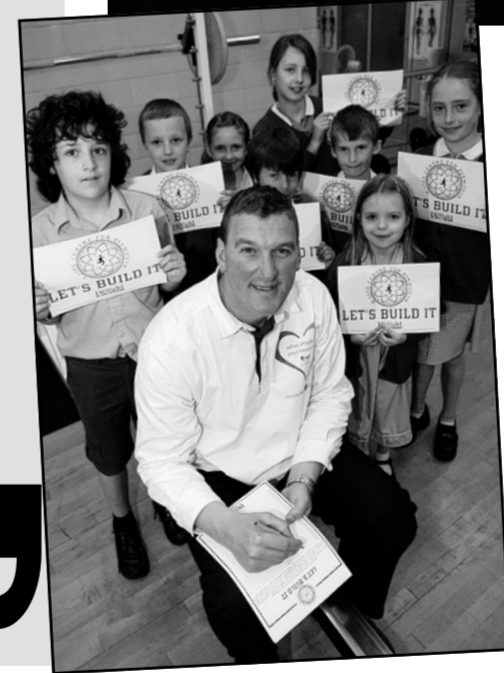
The campaign calls on Lottery officials to help fund the Life Centre: a £50million sports, health and leisure centre in the heart of the city. This is no ordinary place; it will have some of the best sports facilities in the country, including an Olympic-sized swimming pool, but it will also have state-of-the-art health, educational and youth facilities, all under one spectacular roof. It will be of huge benefit to the health and well-being of our constituents, and it will be of huge benefit to the city and the area: creating jobs, boosting business and giving the city an international reputation on the sporting stage.

Plymouth is a truly great city in a wonderful part of the world, but for too long it has been overlooked by those who have the power and money to change its fortunes. It has been short-changed, and its facilities have suffered.

Now is the time for change. The Herald's campaign has shown there is massive support for the scheme. We echo the city's call for help and we urge the lottery officials visiting Plymouth today to answer it.



famous faces: The Evening Herald's petition for the Life Centre has been signed by 10,000 people, including clockwise from top) sprinter Kath Endacott and pupils at Eggbuckland Community College, boxing champion Scott Dann, four times Olympic Gold medalist Sir Matthew Pinsent, and supermodel Jodie Kidd



riveting amenity in terms of advertising the city for inward investment. We desperately need it. The time is now."

Other key partners in the project include Argyle, the University of Plymouth, the College of St Mark and St John, the Plymouth Sports Forum Partnership Group, Sport England South West, and the Learning and Skills Council.

Leading architects David Mackay and Ian Potts have signed up for the campaign, arguing that the centre would enrich the green space in Central Park. They were joined by TV design guru Kevin McCloud, who said it was crucial that the project is "community driven".

Lottery inspectors are visiting the city for two days to learn more about the city's bid.

They are being told that Central Park is perceived by many to be run down. Council officers say that many of the spaces in the 220-acre site are divided in such a way that they limit the area's potential.

Developing a centre in Central Park is a key target of the city's 2005 Sports Facility Strategy. A recent survey found that repairing and improving the Mayflower Centre, which currently occupies the site, would be "uneconomic".

The council also wants to expand the city's diving facilities. At present, Plymouth has the only diving high board in the South West.

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THEY'RE PULLING FOR PLYMOUTH

Scott Dann, champion boxer, Tony Pulis, Plymouth Argyle manager, Gavin Love, Plymouth Raiders basketball player, Jamie Burchill, Plymouth Raiders basketball player, Katherine Endacott, athlete, Andy Hicks, snooker player, Michaela Breeze, weightlifter, Lloyd Scott, eccentric fundraiser, Graham Dawe, Plymouth Albion and Devon rugby manager, Chesney Hawkes, pop singer, Jodie Kidd, model, Mark Richards, four-time world surfing champion, Sir Matthew Pinsent, Olympic rower, Alison Seabeck, MP for Plymouth Devonport, Linda Gilroy, MP for Plymouth Sutton, Gary Streeter, MP for South West Devon, Colin Breed, MP for South East Cornwall, Cllr Tudor Evans, leader of Plymouth City Council, Charles Howeson, chairman of the city's Chamber of Commerce, Tim Jones, chairman of the Devon and Cornwall Business Council, Bob Dow, chief executive of Business Link, Peter Gripaos, professor of applied economics at Plymouth Business School, Peter Waterfield, Olympic silver medal winning diver and commonwealth champion, and the rest of the British Commonwealth dive team and elite coaches, Phillip Schofield, This Morning co-presenter, Sharron Davies, Olympic medalist swimmer, Seth Lakeman, Mercury Music Prize nominee, Trevor Francis, England's first £1million footballer, Tommy Tynan, Argyle hero and former striker, Paul Wotton, Plymouth Argyle captain, Judy Gittins, cardiac nurse for Plymouth Heartbeat, Daws Diggle, frontman for city band The Underdogs, Sandra Fernley, strategic support manager for the library service, Thomas Daley, Olympic diving hopeful, Brooke Graddon, Olympic Diving hopeful, Plymouth Diving Club, Wally Wright of Wally's Dance Party, ballroom and sequence dancing hosts, Sally Smith, England schools table tennis champion, Doc Price, Kendo sensei, Geraldine Lamb Dance School, in Saltash, Kevin McCloud, presenter of Channel 4's pioneering Grand Designs programme, Professor Roland Lewinsky, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Plymouth, Professor Steven Parisien, Dean of the Faculty of Arts at the University of Plymouth, Devon Junior Minor League, Chief Superintendent Morris Watts, Deb Laphorne, director of public health, Ann James, Chief Executive of Plymouth PCT, David Luckham, co-founder of cardiac charity Plymouth Heartbeat, Flameworks, art group, Zoe Ind, Starlights Dance School, Hayley Trower, Member of Youth Parliament for Plymouth, Mick Aitken, manager of the Great Britain pre-Olympic training camps for the 2000 Sydney Olympics, Brian Hall, Plymouth and Districts Fixtures and Results secretary for bowls, Shane Connolly, assistant sports community development officer for the Devonport area, DML, Gleason, Barden Corporation, WH Smith, Lipson Community College, Estover Community College, Eggbuckland Community College, John Kitto Community College, Tarnside Community College, Plymstock School, Witley Court Primary School, St Peter's Roman Catholic Primary School, Rees Youth and Community Centre, Mount Wise Community Primary School, Devonport High School for Boys, Parkside Community College, University of Plymouth, Plymouth City Council, West Devon Borough Council, St Luke's Hospice, Plymouth Primary Care Trust, Orange call centre, JJB Sports, Sports World, George Skinner, who collected petitions at Lord Mayor's Day, Brian Jones at Information Systems - and her children, Plymouth Central Library, Wrigley's, The Hub, The Carmenians Musical Theatre Group, Plymouth College of Further Education, Margaret Talling and the Plymstock and District Scout leaders, Plympton Guides, Brownies and Rangers, Plymouth Ice Skating Club, Magic2k.com, Plymouth City Council's Youth Service, and YOU, the public.

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