**Engage your Parliamentary Candidate using our handy email template**

*Below is a template email for ukactive members to engage with their local Prospective Parliamentary Candidates (PPC) during the General Election. This template email invites a PPC to visit your facility as part of their campaign and should be customised to reflect the importance of the site to the local community.*

*This is only a template to help you get started, so feel free to add your own details, challenges and opportunities. Also, getting creative with your invitation may make candidates more inclined to visit you. For example, invite them to watch or take part in a class with other local people – the opportunity to reach more voters and get a good photo for social media will be something they are keen to take up!*

*To identify your PPC, first visit this* [website](https://whocanivotefor.co.uk/ppcs/) *to find your constituency and the Party representative you wish to contact. If you need support finding your PPC or their contact details, please contact ukactive. We can also provide support in arranging any visit following outreach to PPCs. For more information, please contact:* *publicaffairs@ukactive.org.uk*

Email Subject: Meeting Request in [Constituency Name]

[Constituency PPC's Full Name]

Dear Mr/Ms [Constituency PPC’s last name]

I’m writing on behalf of [add your site] in [constituency] to invite you to visit our local [business/ gym/ pool/ leisure centre] as part of your election campaign and see for yourself the value of our facility for the community.

Research by Sport England and Sheffield Hallam has demonstrated that community sport and physical activity brings an annual contribution of £85.5billion to the country (in 2018 prices) through social and economic benefits.

[Include a paragraph adding information on the impact of your facility within your local constituency and the value you contribute. This could encompass specifics such as the number of individuals attending your facilities, or specific initiatives e.g. MSK Hubs, youth sport groups.]

Over a quarter of the population in England is currently classed as inactive, averaging fewer than 30 minutes of exercise a week.  We want commitment from politicians to promote physical activity to improve public health, safety, community cohesion, and economic productivity, while reducing pressure on public services through preventive measures.

We understand your schedule may be busy, so please let us know a date time that might be convenient for a visit. If you have any questions, require further information, or there is anything [your site] can do to support you in your work, please do not hesitate to contact me here.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards,