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CONSTRUCTION OF PLACENTIA REGIONAL WELLNESS CENTRE SET FOR SPRING 2022

The Town of Placentia has awarded St. John's based Olympic Construction Limited the Design Build Contract for the new Placentia Regional Wellness Centre. The project is valued at \$10,687,350.52 (excluding HST).

Construction of the new Placentia Regional Wellness Centre is expected to begin during the spring 2022 construction season with an anticipated opening for 2024. The Wellness Centre will provide jobs for the local economy, as well as support to the community's business sector during ongoing construction. The Town is in discussion with the YMCA regarding responsibility for the operations and programming for the facility when construction is completed.

The new Wellness Centre will be located next to Unity PARC; the concept design includes an aquatics centre, fitness centre, multipurpose room and as well as a four foot (4') indoor walking track in Unity PARC.

Quote:

"This modern, inclusive, and cost-effective Regional Wellness Centre will benefit our community for decades to come. The Town of Placentia is committed to supporting health and wellness, and this new facility will provide a space for all residents to enjoy fitness programming and activities throughout the year. We are looking forward to construction beginning this spring"

– **Mayor Keith Pearson**

Facility includes:

- Fitness Centre
- Multipurpose Room
- A Lap Pool
 - 25-meter, 4 Lane pool
 - a barrier free ramp
- A Leisure Pool
 - to accommodate recreational swimming, leisure, exercise, swimming instruction, and waterslide entry.
 - a barrier free ramp.
 - waterslide and slide receiving area

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