

General Certificate of Education  
January 2008  
Advanced Subsidiary Examination



**LEISURE STUDIES**  
**Unit 4 Leisure Facilities**

**LS04**

To be conducted between 9 January 2008 and 22 January 2008

**For this paper you must have:**

- four 8-page lined answer books, one for each task
- your preparatory folder
- the insert (enclosed).

You may also use graph or plain paper to support your answers if you wish.

You may use a calculator.

Time allowed: 4 sessions of 1½ hours each

**PREPARATORY FOLDERS MUST BE HANDED IN BY MONDAY 7 JANUARY 2008**

**FOR RELEASE TO CANDIDATES FROM 9 JANUARY 2008**

**Instructions**

- Do **not** write anything on this paper or insert. They must be brought into each examination session 'clean'.
- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen. Pencil, including colours, should only be used for drawing.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer books. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is LS04.
- No materials from your preparatory folder are to be stuck into your answer books.
- Attempt **all** assignment tasks.
- Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- If you need extra paper, use additional answer sheets.

**Information**

- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- Your preparatory folder will be returned to you at the start, and collected in at the end, of each examination session.
- You will be marked on your ability to use an appropriate form and style of writing, to organise relevant information clearly and coherently, and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The legibility of your handwriting and the accuracy of your spelling, punctuation and grammar will also be considered.

**Advice**

- You may illustrate your answers with sketch maps, plans or diagrams where they are appropriate.

## INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR TEACHERS AND CANDIDATES TAKING EXTERNALLY ASSESSED ASSIGNMENTS

### The externally assessed assignment

The assignment must be taken during the two-week assignment period. It may be taken as one 6 hour session or in up to four 1½ hour sessions. Each session must be a multiple of 1½ hours.

### Preparing for the assignment

Candidates will sit the assignment under examination conditions. The preparatory folder, which must contain only notes written by the candidate and material collected from the organisations studied, must be collected by the teacher **before** the two-week assignment period begins. The folder will be given out at the beginning of each controlled conditions session and be collected in with the scripts at the end of each session and kept securely by the teacher between sessions. Nothing may be added to the folder during the two-week assignment period and no other material may be taken into the examination session(s).

### Writing the assignment under controlled conditions

The assignment consists of four tasks, each designed to be completed in 1½ hours. Each task is to be written in a new answer book. At the end of each 1½ hour session, the answer book containing one completed task will be collected and kept securely by the teacher until the end of the final session. No alterations or additions may be made to candidates' answers to each task once the session has ended.

At the end of the final (fourth) session, the four answer books for each candidate must be fastened together and sent to the designated examiner. The preparatory folders must be kept under secure conditions until after the Enquiries upon Results deadline. AQA may call for these preparatory folders to be made available at any time during this period.

Controlled conditions sessions may be in any multiple of 1½ hours and must be completed within the two-week assignment period. Examples of some acceptable time allocations are shown below:

1	2	3	4	One 6 hour session
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	

1	2	3	4	Two 3 hour sessions
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	

1	2	3	4	Four 1½ hour sessions
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	

1	2	3	4	One 4½ and one 1½ hour session
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	

or any other combination of four sessions in 1½ hour multiples.

### Presentation of the assignment

- Keep strictly to the set tasks.
- You are advised that the completed assignment should be contained within a range of sixteen to twenty-four sides of written A4.

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Attempt **all** assignment tasks.

Complete Assignment Task 1 during Session 1.

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## THE ASSIGNMENT

### Assignment Task 1: Types and use of leisure facilities

- (a) With reference to an area that is familiar to you, describe and classify the range of fitness clubs and sports facilities that is available to the public. Classify these leisure facilities under a number of different headings.

Your chosen area could be:

- either     • a small town and its surrounding rural area  
or         • a medium sized or large town  
or         • a part of a city.

*(6 marks)*

- (b) The dual use of leisure facilities by different organisations that may or may not own the facilities is becoming increasingly common. For instance, private sports clubs often use school playing fields in the evenings.

Name a leisure facility that you have studied which is used by **at least two** organisations.

- (i) Describe the arrangements that the management makes for the use of the facility by the different organisations. You should refer to factors such as timetabling, payments and maintenance.

*(6 marks)*

- (ii) Evaluate the benefits of and the problems caused by the facility's dual use for the users and the owners/managers of the facility.

*(8 marks)*

**End of Assignment Task 1**

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Complete Assignment Task 2 during Session 2.

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**Assignment Task 2: How a facility is designed in relation to its use**

- (a) Study **Figure 1** on the insert. It shows part of the ground floor plan of Jesmond Pool in a suburb of Newcastle upon Tyne.

The Jesmond swimming pool was owned and managed by the local council until 1991. The council had planned to close the pool but, instead, it was taken over by a community-based charity. This group has leased the premises from the council since then, and has increased the use of the pool. The group has also run the pool at a profit but, because it is a charity, it must reinvest all profits in the running of the pool.

In 2003, with the aid of a grant from the National Lottery, the charity invested £1.4 million in a major refurbishment project.

- (i) Describe the layout of the part of the building between the entrance ramp and the pool.  
*(6 marks)*
- (ii) Evaluate how successfully the area that you described in (a)(i) has been planned. Write your evaluation from the point of view of customers using the pool.  
*(6 marks)*

- (b) With reference to a leisure facility that you have studied, choose **one** of the following areas:

- booking facilities
- office space
- storage space
- car parking.

Describe the design of your chosen area and evaluate how well it meets the needs of the staff.  
*(8 marks)*

**End of Assignment Task 2**

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Complete Assignment Task 3 during Session 3.

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**Assignment Task 3: Factors that have influenced refurbishment, including legislation**

(a) Study **Figures 2 and 3** on the insert.

(i) Choose any **three** of the labelled features and suggest why each of them was altered during the refurbishment of the pool in 2003.

*(6 marks)*

(ii) During the refurbishment, the architects had to be sure that their plans fitted in with legislation, including local planning laws.

Choose **one** part of the refurbishment of Jesmond Pool and suggest how it met the demands of legislation.

*(4 marks)*

(b) Refer to **one** leisure facility that you have studied where refurbishment has taken place.

Evaluate how well the refurbishments meet the needs of your chosen facility's users.

*(10 marks)*

**End of Assignment Task 3**

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Complete Assignment Task 4 during Session 4.

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**Assignment Task 4: Resources, including physical and financial**

Name a leisure facility that you have studied.

- (a) (i) Describe **one** of the major physical resources of your chosen facility. Physical resources include:
- permanent structural items
  - movable equipment.
- (4 marks)*
- (ii) Outline how the management of the facility ensures that this major physical resource is maintained and kept fit for purpose.
- (6 marks)*
- (b) Explain how the management of your chosen facility ensures that its day-to-day running costs are met.
- (10 marks)*

**End of Assignment Task 4**

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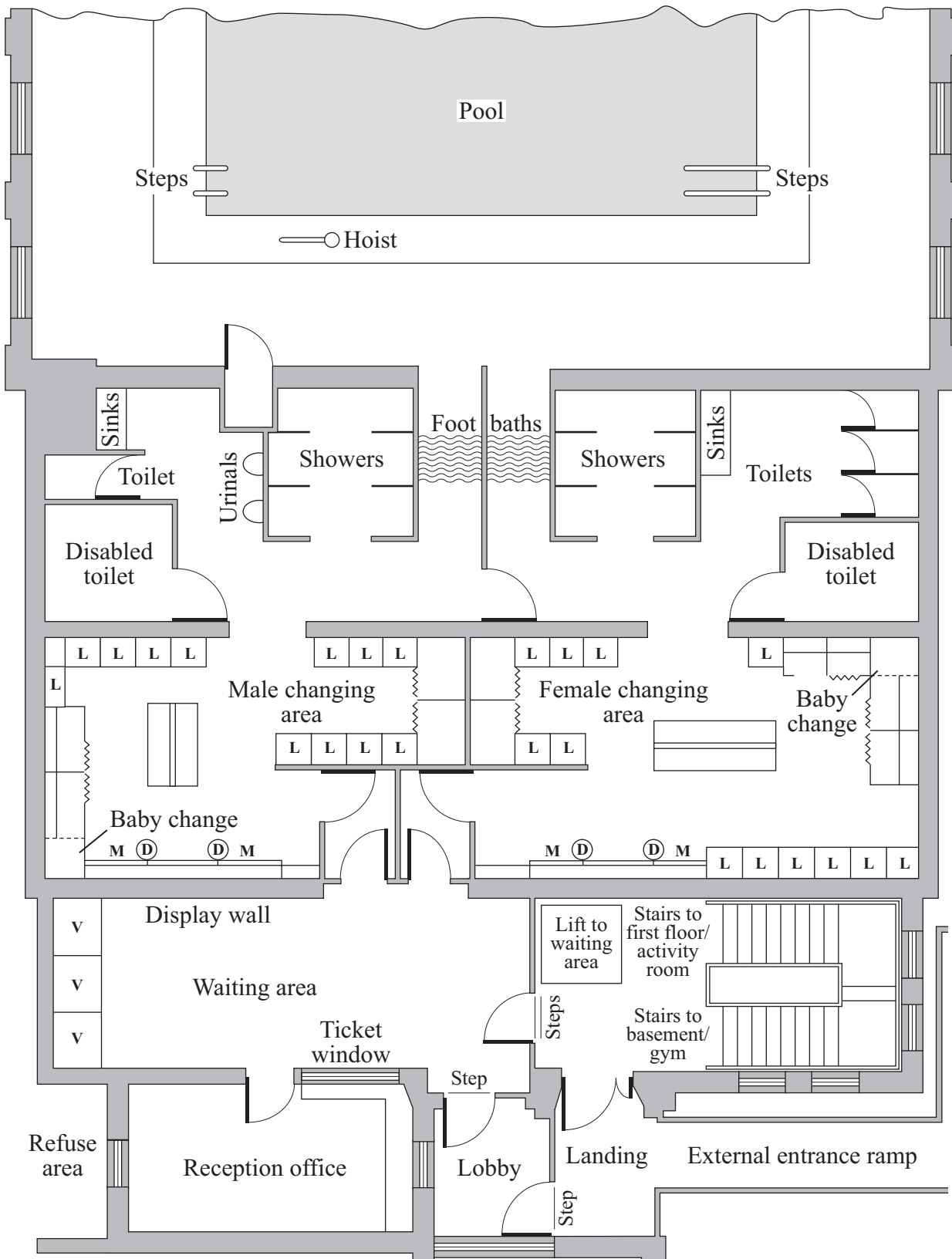
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Figure 1 – part of ground floor plan of Jesmond Pool



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






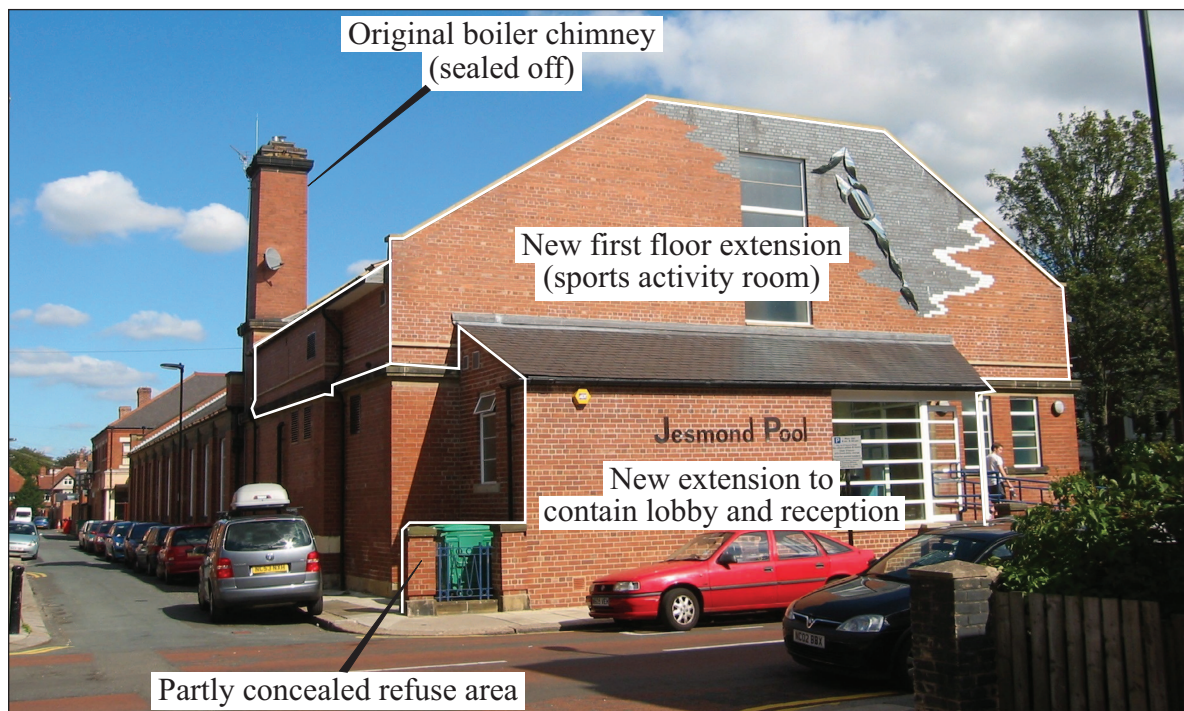
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|  | Bench   |  | Vending machine     |
|  | Door    |  | Lockers             |
|  | Curtain |  | Mirrors             |
|   |         |  | Hairdryers on shelf |

Figure 2 – Jesmond Pool (view from North), September 2006



Figure 3 – Jesmond Pool (view from South), September 2006



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