

Who Are Our Customers?

Identifying and understanding changing habits in leisure centre participation

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The Context

- Three leisure contracts in three very different communities
- 11 leisure centres mixture of wet side, dry side and mixed facilities
- Broad range of other services including Wellbeing, Culture and Heritage, Parks
- Lifestyle membership card used to capture participation data

Lifestyle Card

- Free or concessionary membership required to access majority of leisure centre activities
- In place across all three contracts
- Captures demographic data and participation trends
- Analysed through Cascade

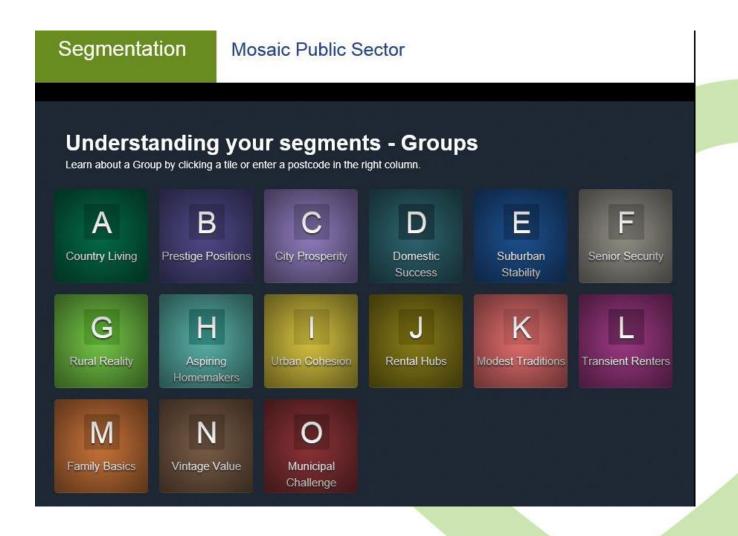
The Customer Journey

- Support sustainable behaviour change (increased participation, healthier lifestyles)
- Understand how and why our customers engage with our services
- Establish a pathway to progress from tentative new starters to regular participants

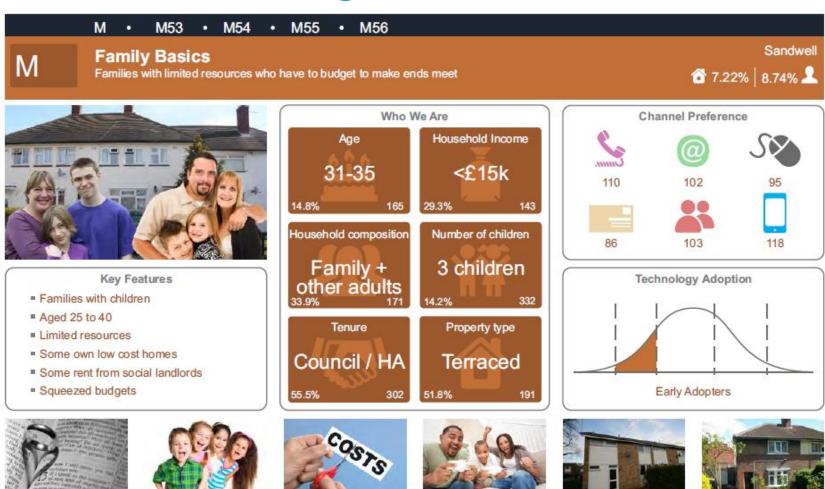
Participation Habits

- Correlate our data to Active People / Active Lives activity indicators
- Limitations of 'like for like' comparisons
- Challenge One Are we helping inactive people to become more active?

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Experian Mosaic Market Segmentation



What Do Our Customers Want?

- Many different referral points and reasons for joining
- Customer feedback formal and informal
- Use of technology Wellness goal setting
- Challenge Two Perception versus reality
 - barriers to participation

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- Different audiences?
- The value of a broader package maximising the benefits of our service delivery
- Challenge Three is budget fitness a long-term or short-term threat – or will there always be a place for both offers?

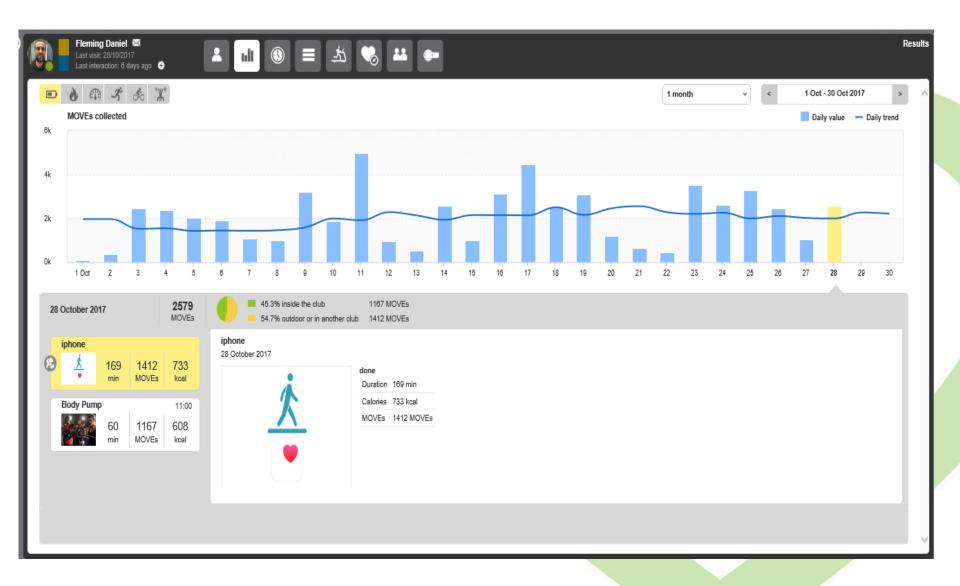
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- Increasing expectations and new audiences
- Squash versus Skateboarding
- Challenge Four How to keep all service users happy?
- Challenge Five Keeping with the trends
 - passing crazes or here to stay?

Changing Trends –Technology



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- Technology in the leisure centre
- Technology outside the leisure centre
- The clever part fusing the two
- Challenge Six Evidencing the link between leisure centres and long-term health outcomes

Summary

- Do we know our customers as well as we should?
- Are we providing the services they require and are we responsive to change?
- How are we helping them change their lives – and how do we communicate this?

Questions / Further Discussion

Further Information

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