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The Libro Credit Union Rink at the Essex Centre Sports Complex will re-open its doors to youth user groups beginning Wednesday, October 28, with new protocols in place.

All visitors will undergo COVID-19 screening conducted by staff or volunteers of the league or organization they are participating with. User groups will also be asked to follow the facility guidelines outlined in the <u>Facility User's Guide</u>, available online. The Town has also published a <u>video walkthrough</u> to show what visitors can expect when they attend the arena for activities.

"We continue to work closely with our user groups to ensure our facilities can be used safely," said Doug Sweet, Deputy CAO and Director, Community Services. "We are excited to welcome players and spectators back to the Essex Centre Sports Complex with the understanding that the new procedures in place are designed to protect everyone."

Earlier this year, Town staff identified heaving issues in portions of the rink. Subsequent soil testing and an engineering report identified the required repairs which started in late August. Repairs are ongoing but do not impact ice rink user groups.

Sweet added that with arena repairs ongoing, only the Libro Rink will be open to user groups. The potential for further reopening of the facility will be determined as repair work is completed.

For guidance on what individuals can do to reduce their risk of contracting the virus, or what to do if they display symptoms, please visit the <u>Ontario Ministry of Health's COVID-19</u> resource page. For local updates, please visit <u>Windsor Essex County Health Unit's Novel Coronavirus page.</u>

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