

## **Big splash as new waterpark name unveiled**

The name of the brand new flagship waterpark in Rhyl has been unveiled to the public.

The £15 million leisure and visitor attraction will be called SC2 and forms a major part of the waterfront development in the town.

The waterpark will open to the public in Spring 2019 and is expected to attract an extra 350,000 visitors to the town each year. It will create 65 new jobs.

SC2 will be a 1200 metre square water space, with indoor and outdoor flume rides, children's water play frame and slides, TAG Active zone, party rooms, reception, sales areas, outside Splash Pool – two wet splash pads, sun lounge areas and café terraces to provide wet play entertainment.

There will be WC facilities, as well as a bar and terrace to cater for evening trade.

The plans were drawn up in partnership with Alliance Leisure, the Council's leisure partner.

Councillor Bobby Feeley, Cabinet Lead Member for Well-being and Independence, said: "Announcing the name is another significant milestone in this exciting project.

"We wanted a modern name and brand that complements other leisure facilities in the county, and being a brand that will be instantly recognisable and one that people will remember.

"The building works are on schedule and residents and visitors to the promenade area will have seen the structure taking shape over recent weeks. We are delighted at the progress made so far and we have a lot of work ahead of us to get the building ready for opening next year."

Councillor Hugh Evans OBE, Leader of Denbighshire County Council, said: "The waterfront development is really starting to take shape. The work on SC2 is the latest in a line of major development projects. The work of refurbishing the Pavilion Theatre and the opening of the 1891 restaurant has already taken place and has set a high standard of development. The brand new Premier Inn and restaurant are now open, and work of renovating the Sky Tower has also taken place.

"This is an exciting chapter for the town and we look forward to other projects taking shape over the coming months."

Rhyl Mayor, Councillor Alan James welcomed the unveiling of the name and added: "Rhyl's waterfront is undergoing a huge period of change and the scale of investment in our town is to be applauded.

"Each passing day brings progress for the better. Regeneration is happening all around us on an unprecedented scale – changes that will create new jobs and bring in welcome visitors which, in turn, will strengthen the local economy. SC2 is an exciting and ambitious part of Rhyl's redevelopment and the town council is pleased to be supporting this worthwhile tourist project."

SC2 is being funded by Denbighshire County Council, with contributions from Rhyl Town Council and the Welsh Government.