## Financial Extract Case Study_



Durham County Council operate 14 leisure centres that offer a wide range of facilities including gyms, group exercise studios, swimming pools and children's soft play centres. Unlike other areas of the country, the county continues to operate the centres for the benefit of their residents and offers many subsidised activities to promote healthy exercise for all.

The leisure centres all provide daily income information for the central finance team to assist with financial planning and budgeting, necessary for the long term continuation of leisure provision across the county. All information is reconciled using a modern financial management system that handles income from all council departments. The system required a daily manual upload of information from the leisure centres point of sale system. This would involve different members of staff's time and energy to ensure reporting was accurate and timely.

## Cascade3d Analytics

Cascade3d was contacted by the council and the provider of the point of sale software. An automated financial extract was required to join the two systems together and improve the efficiency of the finance procedure.
Cascade3d used their vast experience of working with complicated data sets to write an extract procedure that provides a daily income file for each leisure centre. This extract was fully automated and formatted to match the exact import requirements of the finance system.
"We are really happy with the finished financial extract. The project had taken a while to produce results until Cascade3d become involved and quickly provided the link between the POS system output and the finance system input. The finished result saves a lot of staff time that can now be used for other finance activities and also eliminates the possibility of any manual input errors."

Lee Aunger, Digital \& Data Officer - Projects \& Performance, Durham County Council

