

WOLLATON AND LENTON ABBEY AREA COMMITTEE - 17TH DECEMBER 2012

Title of paper:	Wollaton Sports Association (WSA)	
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Relevant Council Plan Strategic Priority: (you must mark X in the relevant boxes below)		
World Class Nottingham	X	
Work in Nottingham	X	
Safer Nottingham		
Neighbourhood Nottingham	X	
Family Nottingham	X	
Healthy Nottingham	X	
Leading Nottingham	X	
Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):		
<p>This report requests the support of the Wollaton West Committee to fund the redevelopment of the lounge area of the Wollaton Sports Association pavilion, e.g. windows, interior ceiling, sanitary ware, kitchen furniture and appliances, heating, lighting & plumbing upgrading at a cost of £24,360. Wollaton Sports Association is based in Wollaton, but services all of the surrounding communities, e.g. Bilborough, Lenton, Radford, Beeston, Bramcote and other members living in other areas of Nottingham.</p>		
Recommendation(s):		
1	<p>Wollaton East & Lenton Abbey Area Committee approves the sum of £24,360 for the redevelopment of the lounge area of the Wollaton Sports Association pavilion.</p> <p>The contribution will allow Wollaton Sports Association to re-develop the community lounge area of the pavilion, such as the windows, interior ceiling, sanitary ware, kitchen furniture and appliances, heating, lighting and plumbing upgrading, bar refurbishment and electrical work.</p>	

1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Cricket has been played on the site of the Wollaton Sports ground since the early 19th Century. The land was donated to the community of Wollaton by Lord Myddleton in the early 20th century, on the condition that the Trustees ensure that access to the land was always available, and the land be used for sporting endeavours ad infinitum.

- 1.2 The largely timber pavilion is 55+ years old and is in desperate need of redevelopment and refurbishment, if the Sports Association is to retain the current levels of membership. The Sports Association have prepared three plans of a redeveloped pavilion, which will enable the Association to have a rebuilt home dressing room, a rebuilt visitors changing room and a new official's changing room and also a toilet. The latter feature is now becoming a requirement for the cricket and football clubs to remain at the levels that they currently play in.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 The Wollaton Sports Association building is largely a wooden pavilion which is more than 55 years old, and the interior facilities desperately need updating and modernising to fulfil the basic needs of the teams and officials that use it.
- 2.2 Clubs are frequently judged by the condition of their pavilion as much as the condition of their playing surfaces and equipment provided. The Association sporting reputation is being eroded by the worsening condition of the pavilion.
- 2.3 The Association have collected a range of letters of support from the local community, five local schools, a pre-school, a letter from Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club, three letters from local non-sports groups who would consider using (hiring) the redeveloped pavilion and a petition with around 1,000 signatures.
- 2.4 The Association intend to advertise the redeveloped facility on a local and low cost basis for the use of the community. This would include the local library (300 meters away), local shops and the local free newspaper.

3. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Not applicable.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The cost of the contribution identified in this report can be contained within the funding available in Wollaton West ward Councillor budgets.

Tim Clark, Finance Analyst, Neighbourhood Communities

5. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES (INCLUDING LEGAL IMPLICATIONS AND CRIME AND DISORDER ACT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 The risk assessment is to be undertaken by the Wollaton Sports Association.

6. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 6.1 It is recommended that an equality Impact assessment is completed, and that opportunities to promote equality are undertaken to ensure that the facilities are accessible, and that statutory obligations are complied with in line with the requirements of the Equality Act 2010.

7. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

7.1 None.

8. PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

8.1 None