

Invitation to learn about and comment on exciting new proposals for Hendred Sports Ground.

Location: Hendred Sports Ground Pavilion

Date: 16th May

Time: 18:30 - 20.:30

The Sports Club and Parish Council has formed a Working Group to focus on developing ideas to modernise, improve and extend the range of sport & recreational facilities available to the whole community, as well as address the parking & access issues along Mill Lane.

We are close to submitting for a Pre-Application meeting with the Vale of White Horse District Council. This is not a planning application, but a request to review the emerging proposals with the planners. It is a proven process for facilitating dialogue, iterating designs and optimising outcomes in a timely and cost efficient manner.

The Working Group invites you to a presentation at the Sports Ground of the latest proposals to seek your input before submitting the Pre-App. The main features of the jointly developed proposals are:

- + increased car parking from 14 unallocated, unmarked bays to 34 defined spaces plus cycle parking provision to encourage non-vehicular access
- + relocation of children's playground to the northeast corner of the playing field away from the safety risk from flying cricket balls
- + relocation of cricket nets to northwest corner of the field, orientated north-south in accordance with English Cricket Board best practice
- + creation of a new multi-use sports area for netball, basketball and pickleball, designed to include 10 unmarked spaces for 'match day' parking
- + extension and redevelopment of the clubhouse to create a welcoming environment for modern day sport, leisure and recreational activities for all
- + wheelchair accessibility and facilities suitable for all ages/genders and fully mixed teams
- + clubhouse to include a small, self-contained first floor flat overlooking the playing field and new children's playground following a similar model to Snells Hall
- + professionally designed planting to compensate for removal of certain trees to enable additional parking and improvements to the southern end of the playing field
- + installation of a wheelchair and pushchair friendly path to the new children's playground and tennis courts

It's important to note this is a consultation before submitting a Pre-App. We are aiming to get your general views on the overall layout and recognise that more detail will be required should we move forward to a full planning application, at which time there will be a further opportunity for consultation.

If you have any questions please contact the Sports Club and Parish Council via email at easthendred.clerk@gmail.com and hendredsportsclub@gmail.com