

RECREATION, LEISURE & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE – 14 MAY 2008

CARVERS PAVILION - REFURBISHMENT WORKS

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 During the last financial year 2007/08, a programme of refurbishment works has been carried out in various areas of the pavilion. This report is to update Members on progress so far and the outstanding works still required to complete the project.
- 1.2 The first phase consisted of stripping out the old kitchen and re-equipping with new cupboard units, worktops, sink etc, and re-decorating. The main room has had new electric fan heaters installed. The main external doors have been replaced with new solid core doors faced with steel sheeting to protect against vandalism. The original concrete floors have been levelled and painted with non-slip floor paint in the main room and kitchen. The external urinal area has been demolished as it was constantly prone to vandalism and used as a step onto the roof of the building.
- 1.3 The second phase consisted of redecorating the two changing rooms and toilets, replacing the old wooden benches with new and replacing the old wooden duckboards on the floor with new plastic slip resistant wet area tiles. The room used as an office by the groundstaff has also been redecorated.
- 1.4 The only remaining area to be refurbished is the shower area and this required the largest and most complicated amount of work to be carried out.

2. CURRENT SITUATION

- 2.1 Consultants have been engaged to design a scheme to replace all the existing plumbing and showers in order to comply with current legislation regarding the prevention of Legionnaires Disease and Water Company Byelaws. The Consultants are currently seeking approval from Bournemouth and West Hants Water Company for their proposals.
- 2.2 At present all the facilities at Carvers Recreation Ground are served by a single 25mm metered water main which enters the site at the entrance to the Bowls Club car park off Mount Pleasant. This means that this single main is serving the Bowls Clubhouse and irrigation system, the cricket pavilion, cricket square, workshop block and tennis court pavilion. Due to competing demands and the long distances involved, the water pressure at the cricket square is sometimes barely adequate.
- 2.3 Following discussions with our Consultants and the Water Company it has been proposed that a new supply should be provided to the area to the rear of the cricket pavilion. This supply would be taken from the end of an existing 50mm water main in Mount Pleasant and would serve the pavilion, cricket square and workshops. It may also serve the tennis pavilion currently being used as the Drop-In Centre. As there are no plans in existence showing the position of the existing service pipes it is not known if the supply to the tennis pavilion runs from the Bowls Club or the cricket pavilion.

- 2.4 The new main supply will provide the minimum guaranteed water pressure to serve the proposed new shower installation and provide a better supply to the cricket square.
- 2.5 The Consultants are currently making an application on the Council's behalf for a new main supply to the pavilion. As this process and the subsequent installation is likely to take some time it is inevitable that the shower area will not be refurbished in time for the start of the cricket season. The original shower installation is still available for use. Both cricket clubs using the facilities have been informed.
- 2.6 Detailed drawings of the building works required to be carried out in the shower area are being finalised pending approval of the Consultant's scheme by the Water Company. Tenders will be invited for the whole package of works.

3. **RECOMMENDATION**

- 4.1 Members are asked to note this report.

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