

BOLSOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL

Meeting of the Executive on 14th April 2025

Tennis facility at the Arc

Report of the Portfolio Holder for Health & Wellbeing

Classification	This report is Public.
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PURPOSE/SUMMARY OF REPORT

To accept funding towards the development of a tennis facility on the old astro turf football pitch at The Arc.

REPORT DETAILS

1. Background

- 1.1 Trustees of the former Clowne Town Tennis Club (CTTC) have been looking for a venue at which to re-introduce tennis to the community for a number of years. It has proven difficult to identify suitable areas in which they could invest. They had expressed a willingness to work with the Council's Sports Development Team in both acquiring a venue and developing the sport.
- 1.2 Leisure Services have been looking at alternative uses for the former astro turf football pitch at The Arc and it was suggested to look at the possibility of using the area for tennis provision, offering opportunity to widen leisure offer at the ARC.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

- 2.1 Specialist consultants have assessed the suitability of the area for tennis and highlighted the work required to provide 3 tennis courts on the area at an estimated cost of **£75,125 (plus VAT)**.
- 2.2 CTTC Trustees have agreed to a capital investment of £60,000 towards the development of the courts with £20,000 of match funding being secured from section 106 funding for the site.
- 2.3 In addition to the capital funding, CTTC Trustees have also agreed to invest £20,000 in a 3-year development plan for tennis. The Physical Activity and

Sports Development Manager has produced and costed the development plan, and agreement has been reached with the Trustees.

- 2.4 The new facility will remain in the ownership of the District Council and will be managed and maintained through Go Active @ The Arc with all income being retained by the facility/District Council. It is expected that any new costs, including maintenance, will be covered by income generated from the facility.

3. **Reasons for Recommendation**

- 3.1 To invest in a redundant facility and further develop the core offer of leisure activities at The Arc.

4 **Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 4.1 To reject the funding offer would prevent investment opportunity at the ARC to extend range of leisure offer and invest in an underutilised area of the facility.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Accept the offer from CTTC to invest £60,000 in capital funding to develop tennis facilities at The Arc.
2. Accept the offer from CTTC of £20,000 revenue funding to progress a specific tennis development plan and contribution towards start-up costs.
3. Approve the allocation of section 106 (£20,000) funding to support this project which is already allocated to the development of ancillary sports facilities at The Arc.

Approved by Councillor Mary Dooley, Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing

IMPLICATIONS:

<u>Finance and Risk</u> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Details: All expenditure on the development of the facility will be covered by the external funding. It is expected that any new revenue costs will be covered by income generated by the facility, there should be no financial burden for Bolsover District Council.		
On behalf of the Section 151 Officer		
<u>Legal (including Data Protection)</u> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Details:		
On behalf of the Solicitor to the Council		

<u>Staffing</u> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Details: None arising from this report.	
On behalf of the Head of Paid Service	
<u>Equality and Diversity, and Consultation</u> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Details: Provision of tennis facility at the ARC will be managed in accordance with the Council's established policies.	
<u>Environment</u> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Details: None arising from this report.	

DECISION INFORMATION:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please indicate which threshold applies:	
Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an Executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more wards in the District or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: Revenue (a) Results in the Council making Revenue Savings of £75,000 or more or (b) Results in the Council incurring Revenue Expenditure of £75,000 or more. Capital (a) Results in the Council making Capital Income of £150,000 or more or (b) Results in the Council incurring Capital Expenditure of £150,000 or more. District Wards Significantly Affected: <i>(to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the District)</i> Please state below which wards are affected or tick All if all wards are affected:	<div style="margin-bottom: 20px;"> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 20px;"> (a) <input type="checkbox"/> (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 20px;"> (a) <input type="checkbox"/> (b) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div> <div style="margin-bottom: 20px;"> All <input type="checkbox"/> </div> <div> Clowne </div>

Is the decision subject to Call-In? <i>(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</i> If No, is the call-in period to be waived in respect of the decision(s) proposed within this report? <i>(decisions may only be classified as exempt from call-in with the agreement of the Monitoring Officer)</i> Consultation carried out: <i>(this is any consultation carried out prior to the report being presented for approval)</i> Leader <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Executive <input type="checkbox"/> SLT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
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DOCUMENT INFORMATION:

Appendix No	Title

Background Papers
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