

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Date: Monday, 22 May 2023
Title: Burwell Hall Changing Rooms
Contact Officer: Project Officer - Nicky Cayley

Background

The former Council administration wished to see an extension of the changing rooms to include two extra changing rooms that were F.A complaint and would increase capacity at the site. Unfortunately, the cost was prohibitive and therefore it was decided that a complete refurbishment, to include new tiling to walls and floor, new showers in terms of plumbing and shower heads and new sanitaryware, would be the preferred option.

The user clubs also wished to see external lockers provided.

Current Situation

Attached is the project brief document and some photographs of the current changing facilities.

The Project Officer has contacted the representatives of clubs using the facilities, although no replies have been received to date.

Ideally the project would be completed prior to the new football season but this will depend upon the availability of contractors.

Environmental impact

Having declared a Climate Change Emergency at its Council meeting on 26 June 2019 – with this in mind Councillors should have due regard to the environmental impact of any decisions they make with regard to its facilities and services it operates. The direct environmental impact of this project is that all of the waste will go to landfill.

Risk

In decision making Councillors should give consideration to any risks to the Council and any action it can take to limit or negate its liability. There should not be any significant risk associated with this project.

Financial implications

The budget for this project is a maximum of £75,000.00. The Project Officer is discussing the possibility of a grant of £25,000.00 from the Football Association with the Business and Facility Development Manager from the Oxfordshire Football Association. This will depend upon whether the changing rooms are eligible as they are not fully F.A compliant.

Recommendations

Members are invited to note the report and consider the following:

1. That, the project brief be agreed and;
2. That, the works be delegated to officers in line with the briefing document and agreed budget to expediate the project during the summer.