Welcome

We are working with local user groups to develop a vision for improving Cams Alders Recreation Ground. We want to provide:

- A modern clubhouse and community facility
- 3G all weather pitches and an improved stadium area
- Improved access and car parking arrangements
- Inclusive children’s play area
- Landscaping improvements

About Cams Alders

The recreation ground is one of the biggest open spaces used for sports and recreation in Fareham (approx. 14 hectares) which is the same as almost 20 football pitches and is home to:

- Fareham Town Football Club
- Fareham Heathens Rugby Club
- The Rainbow Centre
- Palmerston Indoors Bowls Club
A map of the proposed improvements
Improving Site Access

How is it currently accessed?
The current entrance to the site is through Palmerston Business Park.

Access to the car park is via the road that runs through the middle of the site.

This divides the site in two and has a negative impact visually and on how the site is used with vehicles crossing the recreation ground.

What do we want to do differently?
To allow direct access to the car park for the sports and community facilities we want:

To reopen up the entrance at Highfield Avenue.

Remove the road through the middle of the site.

Provide a footpath for pedestrian access across the site.

Access to the Bowls Club will still be via Palmerston Business Park.
Improved Sports and Community Facilities

Fareham Town Football Club and Fareham Heathens Rugby Club facilities are both tired and dated.

The proposal is to demolish the existing facilities and provide a new sports and community facility, that includes;

- A shared clubhouse, with views of the pitches
- Multi-purpose community space and meeting rooms
- Changing rooms for players and officials
- Seating area and stand for 500 people
- Kitchen
- First aid room

Fareham Heathens Rugby Club

Football and rugby are both popular sports and demand for pitches in the Borough to meet is high.

To help meet the needs of the wider community the existing layout will be rearranged to allow for more pitches. The site will be floodlit and able to offer:

- 2x Rugby pitches
- A full size 3G pitch suitable for both football and rugby
- Junior and mini football pitches
- Small sided 3G football pitch

What is a 3G Pitch?

It is an artificial pitch, which offers a safe playing surface that can be used all year and in all weathers.
Inclusive Play

What’s there now?
There is currently only one children’s play area in South Fareham and this is at Crossfell Walk, off Bishopfields Road. Local residents have been telling us there needs to be more play provision.

What do we want there?
We are proposing to install a new children’s play area, suitable for all ages and abilities. It will be fenced and include seating and a picnic area. The equipment will be accessible to all children and include items such as:
  • Inclusive roundabout,
  • Swings
  • Sensory panels.

Teen Seating
The existing teen seating area will undergo a makeover and be moved to a more suitable area as part of the other improvement works.
**Open Space Improvements**

*What’s there now?*

The open space provides large areas which shrubs and trees native to the local area like to grow.

The sites two SINC’S (Site of Importance for Nature Conservation) will not be affected as part of the proposed improvements and will continue to be monitored and maintained. The area supports notable species and wildlife thus a range of activities will be carried out to safeguard nature in this and other areas in the Borough.

*What we want to see there.*

Natural buffer zones will be added between the children’s play area and the sport pitches. The borders will help to break up the scale of the open space, providing areas to relax away from the sports, whilst maintaining an overview so families can stay within sight.

We want to create a public space which everyone in the community can enjoy. New benches and bins will be provided around the site as will information boards and signage.

A new footpath will be provided so users and visitors can easily move around the open space.

*Have your Say*

Complete the survey online or on paper.
Deadline for responses is 19th December 2015

Results will be published online in Spring 2016
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