



Subject:	Request from Crumlin Star re Strangford Avenue
Date:	7 th March 2017
Reporting Officer:	Nigel Grimshaw, Director City & Neighbourhood Services Department
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Is this report restricted?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	The purpose of this report is to provide a breakdown of estimated costs to upgrade Strangford Avenue Playing Fields at the request of Crumlin Star and to meet Intermediated League Ground Requirements and to seek preferential use of the facility for the club.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The committee is asked to note; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• While it appears that technically the facility can be brought up to an existing Intermediate Ground Standard, there remain a number of issues around funding, planning (including potential local opposition), displacement of existing users.• Given the current review of Intermediate League Ground Criteria which is likely to result in revised standards it is recommended that a decision on this be deferred until such time as the review is completed.
3.0	Main report
3.1	Members have asked for a breakdown of the estimated cost of £50,000 referred to in the January 2017 report.
3.2	Members are asked to note that this an estimate and by its nature will be subject to

	<p>variation, + or -. In putting an estimated cost to the work the following elements were considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The provision of spectator fencing and outer ball stop / security fencing at an estimated cost of £28,000. ▪ The provision of dug outs varies from £3,500 to £8,500, which excludes the cost of installation and can be undertaken internally. ▪ The cost of a bitmac path around the whole of the pitch to facilitate movement and access for people with disabilities, prams etc would be £37,000, to provide access along one side would be £12,000. ▪ To provide hedging to disguise the fencing would be £2,000.
3.3	The total cost for the fencing, lowest price dug outs; a bitmac path along one side of the pitch and hedging would be £45,500. It is normal to allow contingency, in this case 10% was allowed, this gives an estimate of £50,050.
3.4	Members are asked to note that this estimate has been provided in the absence of any drawings. Members will also note that approval from the Intermediate Committee is required and that planning consent will also be required.
3.5	In addition, Members asked that representatives from the IFA Intermediate Committee be invited to a future meeting. The invitation has been issued and a response is awaited.
	<u>Financial & Resource Implications</u>
3.6	There are no financial implications based on the recommendation.
	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u>
3.7	There has been no Equality Assessment carried out.
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	Appendix 1 – Previous Report to People and Communities Appendix 2 – IFA Grounds Criteria