

ALLWEATHER PITCH REPORT
BSHC - AGM 5 July 2021

(1) General Information

Period of Operation

The all-weather pitch has been in use for **twenty eight** seasons since its construction and official opening in September 1993.

Grant Obligations

A number of key conditions were imposed by the Sports Council when making the Grant, which we are obliged to fulfil on a long term basis. These include the following:-

- The establishment of a sinking fund with a growth of a minimum of £10,000 per annum to cater for long term pitch maintenance (especially carpet replacement).
- Making pitch available to others in the community for youth sport (particularly hockey).

Ground Lease

The original ground lease for the pitch was in place for forty years; amended to 30 years from 2007

(2) Hockerill Sports Trust

The Hockerill Sports Trust was formed in 1993, to manage the use of the pitch. This Trust has a formal constitution and comprises a joint body with representation from Hockerill Anglo European College as well as BSHC. Charitable status was awarded to this trust in 2007.

The primary duties are Management of sinking fund account, Management of lettings, Day to day maintenance, Review of long term maintenance requirements and submission of accounts to Charities Commission

Trust Structure

The management agreements were re-structured in 2007 to reflect improvements to operations. The structure has been divided into a steering committee and sub-committee for day to day management issues.

Steering Committee:-

BSHC:-

Richard Temple (Vice Chairman)
Pete Duffy (Treasurer)

Hockerill:-

Alastair Mackenzie (College Principal)(Chairman)
Jim Tatchell (Secretary)

Daily administration is provided by Jennifer Perry and Gregg Pettit.

The Committee would like to thank Gregg Pettit and Bernie Cotton for their service as Trustees representing BSHC over the past few years.

(3) Use of Pitch

The pitch is used for the following main areas of activity:-

BSHC
Hockerill Anglo European College
Lettings

BSHC and Hockerill share the pitch equally throughout the year, although Hockerill have given up some of their time for use by other schools and to enhance early evening lettings. There is pressure from the school to have more use at weekends as the school grows.

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(4) Financial Management

Lettings

The lettings will provide approximately £10,000 income this year. This compares with £14,000 last year which is encouraging for the future when consider closed for nearly 5 months which covered our normally peak time.

Lettings provide a significant proportion of our income for the sinking fund, as well as meeting the Sports Council requirements for community use.

The pitch is available for lettings from 5.00 pm – 10.00 pm every weekday evening

Annual donation by BSHC and HAEC

A regular annual contribution is made by BSHC and HAEC of £4,500 each towards this fund.

(5) Maintenance and facilities improvement costs

The running costs to August 2021 are estimated to be approximately £12,000 with main cost being repairs to the dugouts and general maintenance, which is slightly down on last year's £15,000 as expected with COVID and the fact that the previous year included further works to the floodlights, purchase of new goals and nets. Other costs include insurance, lighting, general cleaning and maintenance, deep clean, line marking, occasional repairs and administrative management.

(6) Sinking Fund [Target £200,000 after 10 years – Last re-carpet in 2016]

We continue to rebuild the sinking fund ready for the next carpet replacement and potential upcoming major lighting overhaul

The position at year end, in August 2021, is expected to be as follows:-

	This year £
Lettings	10,000
Donations	<u>9,000</u>
	19,000
Operational costs	<u>12,000</u>
Anticipated surplus year ended 31 August 2021	<u>7,000</u>
Actual surplus year ended 31 August 2020	<u>9,425</u>

Sinking fund currently sits at approximately £47,000 after 5 years since previous recarpet. However with other reserves the Charity has reserves of £123,000 towards the proposed recarpet and lightening overhaul requirement of £200,000.

The annual accounts for 31 August 2020 will be submitted to the Charities Commission following the next Trustee meeting in July 2021.