



The Renovation of the Ladies' Changing Room plus Renovation of the Sports Building

The Club is delighted to announce that the complete renovation of the Ladies' Changing Room, in conjunction with the renovation of the public areas of Sports Building, is to commence during October.

The Ladies' Changing Room is the Club's priority project, following the Main Clubhouse completion, with a complete renovation well overdue. While it was very appropriate that there should be a "quiet period" of a few months following the opening of the Main Clubhouse, it is right that Lady Members should have proper facilities at the soonest possible juncture.

The start of the process was a survey during March 2013 of all Lady Members of the LRC. This involved posters in the Ladies' Changing Room, plus requests in No. 10 magazine together with the weekly club e-mail for responses. Subsequent to the survey, following an extensive tender, the club appointed Wilkinson & Cilley as architects to design the new Ladies' Changing Room. Subsequently, two lunch meetings were held, to which all the Ladies who replied to the survey were invited.

For the benefit of all Members, it was also decided, at the same time, to renovate several areas of the Sports Building. This includes all the public corridors, the disabled and children's lavatories and the construction of a new Sports Building Reception area.

Near the Sports Building Reception, the Sports Shop is to be reduced in size, to focus on key items needed immediately by Members, such as tennis balls or swimming goggles. The space freed by this change is being used to expand the Sports Reception area and desk, plus to provide more lockers for the Men's Changing Room.

For the outside of the building, the Sports Building terrace is also going to be renovated, together with the stairs to the car parks. This includes new lobbies for the car parks. A major improvement

is also the replacement of the present brown tiled wall with a surface and colour similar to the new Main Clubhouse and Sports Buildings.

The Club has carried out an extensive design and tendering process for this project. The winning contractor is DDL, which is to commence the project on 16 October. Management is going to inform all those affected by the project of contingency measures, on an ongoing basis, for the best usage of the Sports Building during the project. Ladies with lockers are going to be contacted individually with regard to arrangements for these.

The project is scheduled to be completed by January 2015. At that point, the Club should have a Ladies' Changing Room of international standards, plus a much more functional and elegant Sports Building. Some of the drawings for the planned works are shown in this article, together with samples of the materials to be used.



Picture of Materials

The Development Subcommittee, which has overseen the organisation of this project, is very appreciative of the many members who have assisted these projects with comments. We also very much welcome, on an ongoing basis, comments on improvement projects at our Club.

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