

FROM Ian Harris, Menheniot Sports Association

Land adjacent to MUGA

Good morning John,

As I mentioned in my email on Thursday, I would greatly appreciate if this could be added to the agenda. Unfortunately I won't be able to attend, but John Hemmings will attend on behalf of the MSA.

Planning permission was previously granted in 2013 and 2016 to build a new floodlit tennis court, but wasn't started due to funding and also only around 30 members. The only thing different on the new submission would be that we would like a bigger access gate onto the new tennis court so we can accommodate wheelchair users, and also to have landscaping around the court that is native to the UK to encourage more birds and insects instead of the green leylandii that is proposed on attachment 'Site plan drawing 5'.

All previous drawings are attached.

The area of land that the new tennis court would be built on is to the west of the current MUGA. The area is mainly planted with leylandii trees, but was overplanted with these trees and it is already evident that some of these trees are in poor condition due to lack of sunlight.

Also included in our application - change to the existing floodlight lamps from Halogen bulbs to energy efficient LED's. This would purely be changing the lamp and fittings at the top of the columns

The Tennis club is growing all the time and now has approximately 155 members so court time is hard to find. By having a new tennis court this would free up more time slots on the existing MUGA, that could be used by the school, football clubs or coaching, just to name a few. Currently we can only accommodate one sport at a time on the MUGA.

The heavily subsidised and free tennis coaching that is offered on the current MUGA has exceeded all expectations and the classes are all full. Once again by having an extra tennis court this program can be extended to allow more people to benefit from the sport.

If you need anymore info please don't hesitate to ask.