

14 OFFICER'S APPROVAL - DISC - WATER BASED PITCH - URGENT REMEDIAL WORKS (AN507-2003)

It is reported that the condition and performance of this well-used facility had recently deteriorated significantly due to continuing build up of silt and bird faeces on (and in) the artificial surface. Regular microbiological tests revealed a worsening contamination problem and drainage had been affected to the point where unacceptable 'ponding' of water is occurring on a sustained basis.

The Department's in-house equipment and efforts proved inadequate to the major cleaning task that has developed. Consequently, an offer of £8,136 was obtained from a specialist supplier. (AC Renovations of Northampton) for a mechanical and chemical deep-clean of the carpet and associated sub-structure. Sufficient funds were available in the Department's Capital budget to meet the above cost and the proposed treatment was recommended for approval over a 5-day period from 10 -14 November, when clubs would still be able to make use of the surface during evenings.

It is reported that the Director of Leisure and Arts in consultation with the Convener and Spokespersons from other Groups agreed to accept the above offer.