

8 ESTABLISHMENT OF 'ULTIMATE' PITCH ON BUCKINGHAM JUNCTION, MAGDALEN GREEN PLAYING FIELDS (AN25-2007)

The West End Community Council has asked that Dundee City Council redesignate the junior soccer pitches at Buckingham Point as a new "field" for the game of Ultimate. Ultimate is a seven-a-side team game which has been popularised via Dundee University students and which is currently played to the area south east of the bandstand directly due south of the MacIntosh Patrick house. The Community Council has brought to our attention that the heavy use of this area by students playing the game has led to significant distress because the game puts heavy wear on the surface as a result of its fast stop-start nature. To the best of our knowledge no Local Authority has yet established an Ultimate pitch in Scotland; Leisure and Communities Department is happy to collaborate with the University and the West End Community Council to demonstrate its willingness to respond to the emergence of this new sport.

To ensure consistency with the City Council's pitches strategy, the pitch would be booked out on the same basis as other seven-a-side football pitches.

Details of the pitch layout for an Ultimate field can be found at the following website: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image:Ultimatefield.png>.

The Committees approval is sought for this proposed amendment to the Council's Pitches Strategy.