

ITEM No ...6.....

REPORT TO: CITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – 26 FEBRUARY 2018
REPORT ON: CHANGING FACILITIES AT 3G PITCH AT CRAIGIE HIGH SCHOOL
REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY DEVELOPMENT
REPORT NO: 64-2018

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To recommend support for the development of changing facilities at the 3G pitch in the grounds of Craigie High School.

2 RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Committee agree to
- i make a contribution of £130,000 towards the development of changing facilities at the 3G pitch in the grounds of Craigie High School
 - ii remit the Executive Director of City Development to arrange a lease to Craigie Community Sports Hub (CCSH) for the land required

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The expenditure recommended in this report can be met from the allowance for Sports Facilities under Health, Care and Wellbeing in the Capital Plan 2018-23.

4 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Craigie Community Sports Hub has an excellent track record in providing sporting opportunities and facilities in the local community, in particular through the facility they manage at Huntly Square and the 3G pitch at Craigie High School.
- 4.2 For some time the Committee of the Hub has been working on plans to develop changing facilities at the 3G synthetic pitch in the grounds of Craigie High School. They have been very successful in obtaining funding, including £22,500 from SportsScotland; £75,000 from a local charitable trust; and £10,000 from the Scottish Football Partnership. CCSH has already contributed £29,000 themselves towards costs already incurred. These contributions amount to £136,500. The Hub has requested a contribution of £130,000 from the Council towards the cost of the project.
- 4.3 The 3G pitch is suitable for football coaching and competition and for rugby training. The changing facilities and pitch will be used by the clubs associated with the Hub (Dundee United Sports Club and Morgan Academy FPs Football Club), by five other youth clubs and an average of six other clubs per week which request lets. Crucially from the Council's point of view Craigie High School will have free use of the facility on week days until 5.30 pm during term times.
- 4.4 Development of the changing facilities for the 3G pitch will be extremely beneficial for the school and the wider community of the East End and will make a significant contribution to achieving the outcomes in the Single Outcome Agreement relating to improving health and tackling inequalities by encouraging active lifestyles and to giving children opportunities to take part in play, recreation and sport which contribute to their healthy growth and development. CCSH is run by an enthusiastic and committed group of volunteers, with a range of professional skills and access to expert advice as required. They are regarded both

the Council and Leisure and Culture Dundee as a valued partner in our strategies for sport and physical activity. The Hub has a credible business plan for management, maintenance and renewal of the 3G and this associated facility.

4.5 It is therefore recommended that the Council:

- makes a contribution of £130,000 towards the cost of the project
- remits City Development to arrange a lease for the land required

5 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management. There are no major issues.

6 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 All members of the Council Management Team have been consulted and are in agreement with the contents of this report.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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