

Club Facilities Investment Update 2020-21

As in the past few years, our aim continues to be that we remain in a position to service our loans and repayments while also making further investment in the club's facilities.

Our indoor court loan commitments will end by 2021 at which time the Club will be in an even stronger financial position. With this in mind, the management committee is currently looking at further clubhouse development options. As this progresses, the details will be shared with the general club membership.

In the short to medium term, we will continue to make improvements around the club and capital expenditure being planned for this year 2020-21 includes the installation of padel tennis courts as previously reported to members. The project is currently awaiting planning approval. If passed, the courts will be installed by the summer.

Other improvements around the club will also be carried out within our general maintenance budget.

This ongoing investment continues our commitment to continually upgrade the facilities at the Club which has been demonstrated by our significant spend over the past few years. The last two years saw the following investment

• Installation of artificial clay courts on existing courts 8&9	£59K
• New fencing perimeter to courts 8&9	£12K
• LED floodlighting on courts 1&2	£30K
• Refurbishment of the men's shower area	£22K
• Installation of new boiler/heating system to squash areas	£10K
• Fitness- 4 new treadmills, 2 new bikes, leg extension and leg press machine	£22K
• Café bar and terrace furniture	£5K
• Bike shelter	£3K

In 2017, tennis courts 6 & 7 were resurfaced at a cost of around £30,000 and all the ground toilet areas were refurbished. We also invested in new "spin bikes" to finally introduce studio cycling at the Club.

In 2016 we saw the resurfacing of tennis courts 1, 2 and 3 at a cost of around £70,000 and the installation of LED lighting on our indoor courts at a cost of £54,000.

In 2015 the café bar underwent a total refurbishment at a cost of close to £107,000 that gave us a social area that matches that of any commercial club. In the same year we also upgraded tennis courts 10 and 11 at a cost of around £24,000 and now the hard courts on the east side of the Club are all up to the highest standard. We also spent around £24,000 much needed repairs to the driveway and car park surfaces and on safety improvements for pedestrian access.

Over the past 5 years the squash section has also seen over £70,000 investment in annual courts refurbishment and upgrade. Following the installation of glass doors on courts 1-4 in 2015 and the refurbished balcony area in 2016, our squash playing environment continues to be the envy of most clubs in the region.

So the message continues to be that we are not standing still!

Billy Kerr
General Manager