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Subject: 106 Pitch Funding
Attachments: ITFC_Pitch Maintenance Plan_v02.docx

Hi Joy

Further to our last email stating our finances, we mentioned that we would seek help regarding our pitch maintenance. We are aware through SSDC that there is specific 106 funding set aside for Pitch maintenance and that we have been instructed to ask for this through Ilminster Town Council. I know you have Open Spaces meetings coming up and with everything else that is going on it made sense to include this now. We have attached our 3 year maintenance plan and associated costs. Please let me know what else you need from us in order to get a 106 application underway.

I can confirm that myself and one other from ITFC will be at your meeting on Thursday.

kind regards

Stuart

Ilminster Town Football Club

Pitch Maintenance Plan

2017-2018 Season and Beyond

Summary

Iminster Town Football Club (ITFC) currently have six adult teams playing on Saturdays and Sundays which include 4 men's teams and 2 ladies teams. Our teams play in the Somerset Senior League, The Devon and Exeter League, The Perry Street League, The SWWFL Eastern League and Somerset County League. These varying leagues all have different criteria for pitches which this plan aims to satisfy.

ITFC moved premises at the start of the 2016/17 season to the Archie Gooch Pavilion, alongside which a new pitch (Pavilion pitch) was established. The club continues to use the existing (Grandstand pitch) both shown on the plan below.



This pitch maintenance document has been written to detail the immediate work needed to bring our pitches up to the required standard and their continued maintenance going forward.

Maintenance Plan

Aeration

The pitches will be aerated/de-compacted every two months. This will be performed by ITFCs spiker (on order and funded by ITFC). Any stone or flicked up during this operation should be removed.

Also twice a year at the end of the playing season (May) and in September the pitch will be Verti-drained (Deep aeration and earth quaking).

Top Dressing

To ensure the surface of the pitches remains free draining and smooth they should be top dressed with 30 tons/ha of sand twice per annum. This will occur following the playing season (May).

Overseeding

Following the playing seasons the pitches will be overseeded using a three or four variety ryegrass mix. The seeding rate should be between 25 and 35g/m² depending on the level of cover at the time of top dressing. Additional overseeding may occur in September and up to Christmas if the surface looks thin.

Fertiliser

The pitches will require around four applications of granular Fertiliser per year.

Cutting

Cutting will be maintained at the beginning of the season at 35 mm. At the end of the playing season the grass will be lowered to 25 mm to allow for renovation. Cutting will vary in pattern to prevent knap forming.

Pitch Surround and Protection

To meet the FA requirement for our Pavilion pitch it must be surrounded by railings. To date we have purchased an installed railings alongside the Pavilion and have enough ground spikes and galvanised steel to complete this edge and the far edge.

Schedule on the AGP Pitch for 2017/18 season

April /May

Overseeding	275
10 x 20kg Bags of action replay	720

June

Verti Drain Pitch	300
Add 30 Tonne of PM35 Sports Sand	1440
Fertiliser for whole year 30 x 9.7.7 plus 10 x 3.3.12 use 10 bags	491
100 screw in spikes @12.50 each	1250
42mm Galvanised Steel railings and fittings	3500

September

Verti Drain Pitch	300
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September (continued)

Late Summer Fertilise with 10 bags of 9.7.7	0
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November

Winter Fertilise with 10 bags of 3.3.12	0
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March

Spring Fertilise with 10 bags of 9.7.7	0
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Cost	£8276
VAT	£1655.20
Total Cost AGP pitch	<u>£9931.20</u>

Schedule on the Grandstand Pitch for 2017/18 season

The same is required on the Grandstand pitch, but because of extensive pitch maintenance carried out and funded by ITFC we would reduce the sand needed to 15 tonne (one lorry load- saving £720 off the cost), and minus the railings and spike cost.

Cost for Grandstand pitch (9526-6720)	£2806
VAT	£561.20
Total Cost	<u>£3367.20</u>

Cost Both Pitches	£11082
VAT	£2216.40
Total Cost Both Pitches	<u>£13298.40</u>

Schedule for both Pitches for 2018-2020 seasons

With the above treatment carried out during the upcoming season we would continue the overseeding, verti-drain and fertilizer maintenance for the following 2 seasons. Sand would be added if required. We are aiming to fund this and the ongoing maintenance of both pitches through club fundraising.