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Sports field report 15th October 2024

Field news

- Pitche reseeded in October. – no more pitch improvement costs for the remainder of the financial year
- Portable floodlights have been tried out – one been returned for repair
- Main floodlights now in place for the winter. One has already fused due to water getting into the base – solution needs to be found before the winter. Antony has looked at it and may be able to find a solution.
- Far end corner has been planted with hawthorn to deter people taking a short cut.

Field Users update

Bootcamp has resumed on Wednesday evenings with Lizzie Coleman

Pavilion news

Occasional problems with mud being walked into the building, but this is being addressed: Kevin Bull – Head coach for AFCR&D ladies and girls has been contacted, and a positive response received.

Ideas to be discussed and agreed:

- Coaches to be more assertive in instructing players not to go into the front door in boots
 - Signage on changing room doors for the U16's – Players toilets and Non-players toilets to comply with Safeguarding guidance.
 - Boot brush/scaper to be purchased and placed near the end door
 - Front door to be kept closed once the game has started, apart from officials and catering volunteers
- **Finance:-** 6 months report indicates that more income needs to be sought. Need to advertise pavilion – facebook, newsletter,
- **Other**
 - Water tanks now filling up, thanks to Jock for fitting new valves
 - Drainage from toll bar road. Water pouring down the carpark.

NCC contacted and the drains are Category 3 for repair – to be undertaken imminently. Jock has cleared the gully under the gate which leads to a pipe that needs jetting.

- Advertising boards offered – only two have taken this up. More offers to be sent out
- Possible community funding to be sought – possibly from Primark.
- New hire agreements sent out for field.
- Daffodil bulbs to be planted near the top gate.