

REPORT

To: CORPORATE SERVICES (LICENSING) SUB-COMMITTEE		Subject: SAFETY OF SPORTS GROUNDS - CERTIFICATION ARRANGEMENTS - BROADWOOD STADIUM, CUMBERNAULD
From: HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES		
Date: 29 May 2007	Ref: GD/MT	

1. Introduction

- 1.1. The Council has adopted practices in relation to its responsibilities for the certification of "Designated Sports Grounds" in North Lanarkshire and agreed to the establishment of a Safety of Sports Grounds Officer Working Group representing a variety of disciplines which assist the process of certification.
- 1.2. The Council has also agreed that a programme of annual inspections be established and over the past few months, officers of the Working Group have carried out a series of inspections at Broadwood Stadium and met representatives from the stadium management to discuss a number of issues relating to the General Safety Certificate for the Stadium.

2. Current Position

As a result of these inspections, the undernoted matters have been identified as requiring attention details of which have been passed to the Acting General Manager for his attention.

- 2.1. Annual Certificate of Structural Adequacy to be submitted.
- 2.2. Written confirmation that damaged seating at front of all stands will be treated as part of an on-going maintenance programme to be submitted.
- 2.3. Steel frame in East Stand forming gables and roof structure have isolated areas of flaking paint and corrosion which required to be treated as part of an on-going maintenance programme.
- 2.4. Steel base plates to crush barriers in East Stand are corroded and require to be treated as part of an on-going maintenance programme.
- 2.5. Steel frame in South Stand forming gables and roof structure have isolated areas of flaking paint and corrosion which require to be treated as part of an on-going maintenance programme.
- 2.6. Steel frame in West Stand forming the roof structure has areas of flaking paint and corrosion which require to be treated as part of an on-going maintenance programme.
- 2.7. Steel base plates to crush barriers in West Stand are corroded and require to be treated as part of an on-going maintenance programme.

3. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Sub-Committee hear verbal updates on these outstanding issues by the appropriate officers and representations from the Acting General Manager for Broadwood Stadium and consider the renewal of the General Safety Certificate.



Head of Central Services

Should any member require further information please contact Graeme Duncan of Corporate Services at extension 2725.