

REPORT

To: CORPORATE SERVICES (LICENSING) SUB-COMMITTEE	Subject: SAFETY OF SPORTS GROUNDS - CERTIFICATION ARRANGEMENTS - BROADWOOD STADIUM, CUMBERNAULD
From: HEAD OF CENTRAL SERVICES	
Date: 07 July 2010	Ref: TG/EH

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 with representatives of the stadium management to discuss a number of issues relating to the General Safety Certificate for the ground.

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 Stadium Manager for attention.

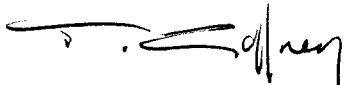
- 2.1. An annual periodic electrical inspection report is to be provided.
- 2.2. A certificate of risk assessment of barriers, claddings and structural elements is to be provided.
- 2.3. A certificate of risk assessment of Broadwood Stadium's adequacy is to be provided.
- 2.4. The routine maintenance of seats is to be continued.
- 2.5. The exit doors to the central dormitory are catching on carpets and require repair.
- 2.6. Smoke seals are required to vomitory doors at the extreme right hand side looking onto the pitch.
- 2.7. Nosing onto stairs on the north stand require repainting.
- 2.8. In the main stand fire exit signage from the main function suite leading onto the seated stand and access to the unsigned emergency exit stairs is locked and unlit and these require immediate rectification.
- 2.9. In the west stand the automatic fire detection facility has been removed from the fire escape corridor and this requires to be replaced prior to any use.
- 2.10. A number of fire doors are in need of repair/upgrade to current standards and require to be self-closing in the event of a fire alarm.

- 2.11. The fire shutters on the catering kitchens require replacement with suitable signage.
- 2.12. The fire exit signage to indicate exits from on field requires replacement.
- 2.13. The fire exit Keep Clear notices fixed to the outside doors of the stadium require to be replaced.

3. **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Sub-Committee hear verbal updates on any outstanding issues by the appropriate officers and from the stadium management of Broadwood Stadium and consider the renewal of the General Safety Certificate accordingly.

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Head of Central Services

Should any Member require further information please contact Tom Gaffney, Corporate Services extension 2342.