

A Request for information and an agreed maintenance plan for the land at Llangennech Park Recreational Ground

Introduction

Llangennech boasts a community that is lucky to have built strong roots and support for both the rugby and football clubs. The effort of volunteers within the community over the years has seen a huge growth in participation of both sports, establishing a structure that now offers the community an opportunity to participate across all ages.

The hub for this weekly activity is the playing field at Llangennech Park / Recreational Ground, where midweek Junior rugby training takes place, along with Mini and Junior football on Saturday mornings, and adult football or rugby games on Saturday afternoons. This is rounded off by Junior and Mini rugby games that take place on Sunday mornings. The increased use has - inevitably - taken its toll on the playing field.

The Rugby Club forecast for next season reflects around 120 children (across 10 teams) and 40 adults (youth & second teams). That's 160 playing members participating in activities on the field.

The Football Club forecasts an increased number of children at 90 (across 7 teams aged 6-14), while the proposed addition of a Veterans team to the club could see the senior members rise to 50 players (1st, Reserve & Veterans).

This means that 200+ children and 90 adults would expect to make use of the field next season, with at least 100 or so expected to do so on a weekly or twice-weekly basis via training and home matches.

The Request

We would like see the playing field condition be addressed and improved via a "top dressing / layered approach of fertilizing" with an agreed and published on-going maintenance programme to include a regular weed & feed schedule.

We'd also like clarification of park-keeper duties with regards to defined responsibilities for maintenance of the playing field area i.e. future monitoring of its condition and liaising with council for services/facilities.

This request is submitted for discussion on behalf of Llangennech Football and Rugby Clubs, following constructive correspondence between both clubs.