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CRICKET NET FACILITY AT WARBOROUGH GREEN

Dear Parishioner,

Warborough & Shillingford Cricket Club would like to obtain permanent net facilities on or around the village green for use by both the Junior and Senior Cricket Clubs. We have already presented some initial proposals to the Parish at the October and November Council Meetings. However, we would very much like to know your views directly and, therefore, we invite you to a **'Drop-in Session' at the Greet Hall between 12:00 and 16:30 on Saturday 12th December.**

We currently have a thriving Junior Club with a membership of 125+ boys and girls ranging in age from 6 to 17. The club has identified a need to provide a safe facility for the provision of hard ball training on the Green. At present, it is not possible to provide safe hard ball training and practice for the older age groups whilst concurrently training junior members. In addition, the Club strongly believes that to provide effective player development and to field competitive teams to compete at county level, there is a compelling need to invest in permanent cricket net facilities.

The sustainability of both clubs is dependant upon our ability to ensure that junior members can progress to competitive senior cricket. At present, this aim is not being fulfilled and young cricketers with strong potential are joining other clubs in the area to benefit from better facilities.

We believe that Warborough has an exceptional asset in the Green and that cricket is, not only, in keeping with its aesthetic attractiveness but, also, complimentary to its maintenance. We strongly believe that cricket embraces all age groups within the Parish, as either participants or spectators, and it provides excellent recreation for the youth within the community.

The clubs have been raising funds over the past two years and have carried out a review of possible locations for the nets. **Of the options short-listed, our preference would be for them to be sited on the Green (location 5 shown overleaf); at the November Parish Council meeting, locations 2 and 5 were deemed the preferred options.** However, we realise that, because of the level of public opinion that was raised against an earlier recreation area development, we would like all parishioners to see our proposals. Some 'food for thought' regarding construction and siting is displayed overleaf.

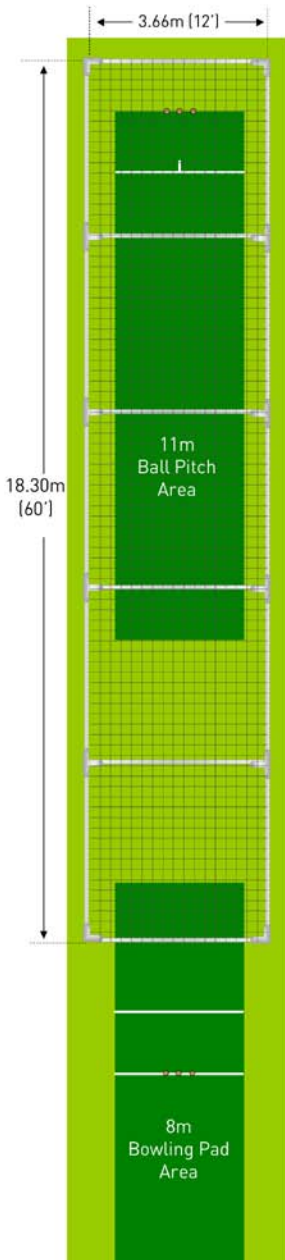
If you are unable to attend the 'drop-in session', we also have details of our plans on our website (<http://www.wandsc.org>) showing the proposed location, net construction and the answers to some of the questions already posed. Alternatively, please contact any of the committee members listed above to obtain a printed version of the proposal details or to answer your questions. We are very interested to obtain feedback from the Village, so please do come along, meet us and discuss any aspects of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Simon Tiedeman - Club Secretary

CRICKET NET INFORMATION

Single lane dimensions



Possible Siting Options



Example of a completed facility

