

Finance Implications

Finance Implications have been discussed with the Council's Section 151 Officer. The Council has set aside £20,000 for match funding for the refurbishment of the tennis courts. The Council will receive £120,000.00 of grant funding from the Lawn Tennis Association for the refurbishment of the tennis courts at Vivary Park and Taunton Green.

Links to Corporate Aims

The refurbishment of the tennis courts involves developing the Council's leisure offer by improving the facilities available and links to the Council's Corporate Strategy around Our Environment and Economy and the objective to 'Shape and protect our built and natural environment, supported by a refreshed Local Plan and develop our heritage, cultural and leisure offer including a clear vision and delivery plan for the Taunton Garden Town'.

Equalities Impact

Equalities Impact Assessment is attached separately.

Safeguarding Impact

A new safeguarding system will be put in place when the tennis courts are refurbished to help ensure the safety of all users. Contact details to report any safeguarding concerns will be available through the online booking system as well as being displayed at the tennis courts so that any concerns can be reported to the Council's safeguarding team. This will result in an improvement to safeguarding by making it easier for the public to know how to report safeguarding concerns and who they can be reported to.

Risk Management

Refurbishment of the tennis courts will help to improve the safety of the courts for users and as part of the project new risk assessments will be created for the tennis courts to ensure the facilities are as safe as possible for the public to use.

Partnership Implications

Refurbishing the tennis courts with the support of the Lawn Tennis Association will strengthen the relationship the Council has with the Lawn Tennis Association and hopefully lead to future opportunities for the Council and Lawn Tennis Association to work together to promote tennis in our area and make the sport accessible to as many people as possible.