

BRECKLAND COUNCIL FINANCIAL COMMENTS & APPRAISAL

THIS DOCUMENT PROVIDES THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS
IN RESPECT OF THE ATTACHED REPORT

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REPORT: Artificial Grass Pitch Project, Thetford
REPORT DATE: 30 May 2023

	£ Year 1 2023-24	£ Year 2 2024-25	£ Year 3 2025-26	£ Year 4 2026-27
Revenue				
Income				
Inclusive Growth/G&I reserve (up to)	(109,000)	(-)	(-)	(-)
Costs				
n/a		-	-	-
Total Revenue	(109,000)	-	-	-
Capital				
Income				
External funding (circa)	(587,000)	(-)	(-)	(-)
Costs				
3G pitch	696,000	-	-	-
Total Capital	109,000	-	-	-
Considered By:	Cabinet	Full Council		
Date:	30.05.2023	13.07.2023		

Financial Services Comments

The reports requests approval to accept external funding from the Football Foundation and Leisure Operator of circa £587k in total, set up the necessary budgets to spend and to release funds from Breckland reserves to match fund the overall project costs.

There are currently funds within the Inclusive Growth reserve earmarked for leisure provision which can be utilised for this purpose, with any shortfall being available from within the Growth & Investment (G&I) reserve.

The costs shown in the table above include an allowance of circa £70k for inflation contingency on materials, so final costs may vary from those shown above. Depending on the final costs, the Breckland contribution from reserves will be in the region of £87k to £109k (no more than 16% of the overall costs).

The new surface will significantly increase the net annual revenue income, which will benefit the Council through the benchmarking process on the PFI contract.

Financial Risk

If the pitch surface is not renewed there is likely to be a negative impact to the Council through loss of income to the leisure operator as detailed in the risk section of the report (5.8.3) and this would be a budget pressure to the medium term financial plan, requiring savings to be achieved in order to offset.

This appraisal is valid for 1 month from issue date
If there are changes to the original report it may invalidate this document & must be reviewed by Finance.