

## **Appendix H.**

### **Background or 'Project Specifics' – Application MF063/T2**

To completely refurbish one of the tennis courts in Skewen Park in order to bring it back into a usable condition.

This bid has been developed to 'Enhance Existing Council Services' and will be part of the continued investment being made in Skewen Park by Coedffranc Town Council.

The funding will be used to revitalise one of the underutilised tennis courts by overlaying the existing surface with a regulating tack coat of tarmac. The area will be re-marked for tennis to the LTA Governing Body standards. Sockets, a tennis net with vinyl headband, ground anchors and posts will be provided as part of the project and this will ensure the Court is brought back into use.

The need for this initiative has come to the attention of the local Ward Members in Coedffranc Central and Coedffranc North. The tennis courts have fallen into a state of disrepair and are sub-standard. Those that are keen to play tennis improvise with their own 'nets' or play with no nets. This can be remedied by providing a bespoke, fit for purpose facility.

Skewen Park is the receiving centre for many leisure based activities in Coedffranc. The Park boasts a Paddling pool, a Skate Park, a Ball Court, a Bowling Green, a play area with a range of new play apparatus and areas laid out for football and cricket. Those that wish to play tennis in the Park have been denied for some years and this project investment will be of appeal to a wide range of residents. The proposal will reduce anti-social behaviour by offering a dedicated attractive space for formal ball sports. This in turn will boost levels of physical activity, elevate participation and improve well-being. This project will offer the most generous arrangements for public enjoyment and augment the facilities within the Park.

The scheme has no further financial implications for NPTCBC as ongoing maintenance, opening/closing and inspection of the court will remain the function of the Coedffranc Town Council.

## **Recommendations**

The project is valued at £18,890 (with the VAT element being recovered by the Town Council), which is the full cost of overlaying, reinstatement and equipping the court. The Applicants, Councillors A.P.H. Davies and M. Harvey would wish to fund this project with Councillor Davies contributing £10,000 from his Members Fund allocation and Councillor Harvey contributing his remaining £8,176 allocation for the Wards of Coedffranc Central and Coedffranc North. The funding package is completed with a £714 contribution from Coedffranc Town Council.

The project proposal is recommended for approval and financial support under the Members Community Fund.