

Supporting Letter from J&C Property Developments (Option Holder on the Land with whom Cityheart have a conditional contract)

Following extended dialogue between J&C Property Developments and the Directors of NMFC original plans to develop a football and sports academy on the site at Church Lane were subsequently rejected by NMFC.

The plans proposed the construction of a new 3G football pitch (subject to Football Foundation funding) and additional facilities funded and constructed by J&C Property Developments.

This option was rejected by NMFC although it was understood that plans to install a 3G surface on the existing playing surface were to go ahead.

J&C Property Developments in partnership with its sister company, Pro Peaks Academy subsequently agreed an alternative partnership with Disley Amalgamated Sports Club. A new 3G pitch and muga all sports facility was designed and built and is now in full operation for use by the local community and surrounding area. Please find attached a selection of images.

Following rejection of the above proposals, J&C Property Developments entered into an agreement with Cityheart who became involved in the sale of the land for an affordable housing project. It was hoped that the proceeds from the sale of the land would assist NMFC in achieving the redevelopment of the existing pitch to create a new 3G facility in partnership with the Football Foundation.

The directors of NMFC have also now decided not to continue with this proposal.

Whilst there may be limited use of the former tennis court as a football pitch, observations during our time involved in the redevelopment of the site would suggest that the surface is underused, unsafe and would not meet compliance or health and safety guidelines. Previous information provided by NMFC suggested that the surface was only used in exceptional circumstances and rarely. It is our opinion and acting on the information previously supplied that the AstroTurf certainly isn't used to the extent some of the objectors are suggesting. Surely there would have been a desire to improve the facilities rather than reject multiple opportunities to do so.

Despite this we are delighted to offer those using the former tennis court at NMFC access to the newly installed 3G, floodlit pitch at Disley Amalgamated Sports Club located less than three miles away. This newly refurbished state of the art facility meets all health and safety guidelines and has been subject to Government agency planning and consultation procedures.