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**Football
Foundation** 

Facilities EOI Decision form
Reference: FAC3-31772

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Details

Form reference*

FAC75940E

Organisation name

IDE HILL FC

Charter standard status

Is the applicant eligible to apply for
FA Charter Standard?

Yes

Has the applicant achieved FA
Charter Standard?

No

Strategic need

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The facility at Ide Hill FC is in a dilapidated state, and has been served a dilapidation notice by Sevenoaks District Council. At present the facility is utilised by 2 adult teams, the club are in the process of developing an U18 team for next season and a new U7 team to begin a youth section at the club. The Club has a development plan in place that will see the growth of 6 new teams within the next 5 years.

Displacement

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There will be minimal displacement on other nearby facilities, and the new changing facilities will enable the club to implement its plan to increase the number of teams, and develop a new youth section.

Local football comments

Local Football Comments (includes any leagues/clubs/CFA/LA/other key partner comments)

The Club do have a Sports Development Plan however this has been reduced to comply with an external funding programme. The club have agreed to send over the full Sports Development Plan, however it would be good for the club to align this to the Football Development Plan template.

Currently, the Club does not have FA Charter Standard Status, but they are working with the County FA to achieve this. I would encourage them to achieve this as soon as possible.

Review

After reviewing this EOI Form, this project is deemed:

a priority for the County FA

Should the applicant be supported to work up a full application?

Yes

Which facilities should be supported to work up a full application?

- New changing rooms
- Works to natural grass pitches

Additional comments

We support the club in working up a full application with the following conditions:

- The Club needs to investigate with HMRC the situation regarding VAT.
- The technical aspects of the plans are compliant with Football Foundation.
- The club produces a Football Development Plan that is concise, timebound and realistic.

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Position

County Development Manager

Date

19 March 2012

Decision

Should the applicant be supported to work up a full application?*

Yes

Which facilities should be supported to work up a full application?*

- New changing rooms
- Refurbished changing rooms
- Non-traditional construction changing rooms
- Works to natural grass pitches
- Portable floodlights
- Tractors and maintenance equipment
- New AGP
- AGP refurbishment
- New floodlights for AGP
- Fencing
- Storage containers
- Replacement goalposts
- MUGA
- Other

Additional comments*

I agree with the CFA recommendation and the conditions that are attached to it.

In addition to that, there is not sufficient security of tenure at the moment to meet Football Foundation eligibility requirements. The Football Club will need to get a new lease and I will need to see a draft copy of this lease to make sure it meets our requirements as part of the pre-application process. A final signed copy of the lease could be made a condition of the report.

Depending on the grant level, the minimum lease requirement is detailed below:

| Grant level | Minimum required lease | Clawback |
|-------------------|------------------------|----------|
| £50,001+ | 25 years | 21 years |
| £20,001 - £50,000 | 15 years | 15 years |
| £10,001 - £20,000 | 10 years | 10 years |
| £0 - £10,000 | 5 years | 5 years |

Nevertheless, I would encourage the Football Club to obtain the longest lease possible.

Alternatively, if the Parish Council were to come in as a joint applicant it could progress on this basis and if the Parish Council were willing to place the contract, then this may help address the VAT issue.

I also understand that the applicant is aware that as the total project costs increase, they will need to source further partnership funding to meet this so that they can meet the criteria for a Build the Game grant.

The applicant will need to work through the Sign-Off Sheet with the County FA and The FA to make sure that all the documentation is present. A 'signed off' version of this will need to be included within the application supporting documentation. This can be printed off by following the instructions on the link.

The applicant should take advantage of the support available through the Pre-Application Support Days provided by the County FA and prioritise the information required in the Sign-Off Sheet.

When it comes to filling in the Application Form, please ensure that the Guidance Notes are printed out in advance and used to complete the form.

Assessor

Mel Antao

Date

26 Mar 2012