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£2m stadium is a tribute

THE new plan for a £2m football stadium in High Wycombe is an excellent example of the sort of enterprise we need in this area.

After the fiasco over the arts centre, it is nice to see forward-thinking businessmen developing what should be an excellent facility, not just for football, but as a social amenity.

It takes a lot of courage - given the present state of soccer in this country - to be embarking on such an audacious scheme.

A lot of credit must go to the chairman of the club Ivor Beeks and project director Brian Lee. They have obviously spent a great deal of time trying to incorporate the latest ideas on safety and security.

Lessons have been learned from the Bradford fire disaster. And for those concerned about hooligans, there will be video cameras high up in the stands.

It all smacks of the sort of professionalism you would find in the Football League. And that is where Wycombe Wanderers want to be in 1991 when the stadium is due for completion.

Creating the right facility and the right atmosphere is only half the story. They then want success on the football field. And with that sort of positive philosophy it is difficult to see how they could fail.

But perhaps the proudest person in this saga would have been Frank Adams, who originally donated the land at Wanderers' current home Loakes Park.

And it is a fitting tribute that the new ground will be called Adams Park.
