

# Wanderers apply to have synthetic pitch

Wanderers FC has placed an order worth nearly £750,000 for the new club house, stands, tea bars, turnstiles and toilets for its new ground in Hillbottom Road, Sands.

It is the largest order for sports structures the Kent manufacturers of pre-cast concrete buildings have ever received.

The Blues' new ground at Adams Park will have seating for 1,200 when it opens at the start of the 1990-91 season, plus banqueting facilities and conference rooms. And if Blues' director Ivor Beeks has his way, a second synthetic training pitch too.

The seats will be in the 102-metre seven-tier main stand on the club house side of the pitch.

The club house — "with every required amenity" — will be behind the main stand.

The stand on the opposite side of the pitch will be the same type as the main stand but instead of seven levels of seating it will initially have 13 standing terraces. Seats can be added if needed.

Similar canopied stands with 11 levels of standing have been ordered for either end of the pitch.

The main tea bars and toilets will be in a detached two-storey building with room on the first floor for shops.

The other tea bars and loos will be at the entrance next to the three turnstiles.

The site plan and buildings for the £2 million Adams Park project have been designed by Design Services of Boreham Wood. The supplier is the Tunbridge Wells firm Atcost.

Mr Beeks said this week: "It's going to be a tremendous asset to the community, even better if we can have a synthetic pitch.

"We've put in a planning application, we're waiting to see what happens.

"It could be used for hockey, training, sports of all kinds — you can't get in at Handy Cross.

"What with the banqueting facilities and conference rooms, it's good news for the town."