

Car parking row is spoiling success story

THE problems surrounding car parking at Wycombe Wanderers' magnificent ground at Adams Park are sad. The well publicised achievements of Ivor Beeks and the board in providing what must be one of the best grounds outside the league in the country have become bogged down in the controversy over parking.

When the dust settles and the townspeople of High Wycombe have more time to arrive at a rational conclusion instead of the present knee jerk sentiments the situation will look different.

In the meantime, what about the lost opportunity for profit potential by the local factories and yards? Surely entrepreneurial owners could provide parking spaces at a nominal charge during match days thus supplementing their income.

Dozens of spaces could be provided in this manner which would alleviate some of the problems created to local residents.

Let's hope a satisfactory solution can be found. The new Adams Park complex does the town proud.

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Pensioners feel pinch over ticket prices

AFTER the friendly last Tuesday with QPR, I shall be very surprised to see a large crowd of OAPs at the next friendly.

We were told we had to get a ticket which cost £4.50 to sit in the stand. At Loakes Park, it was £2.50. So many were disgusted, my husband and I included.

We have been good supporters over 55 years, but we do feel this was a very expensive evening. Two men walked out in disgust, refusing to pay £4.50 for a friendly.

The pitch is great, but we feel we are shut in like cattle. Once in you stay in.

Also, could someone say why they have to charge 50p for a can of drink one can buy almost anywhere for half the price?

Get rich quick seems to be the big thing at Adams Park. Even what was the Blues Club at £2 is now £5. I shudder to think what prices would be if the Wanderers go up. Far beyond the likes of the OAPs and children.

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Keep helping us Val over the new stadium

I WRITE to thank Cllr Val Letheren for her continued support for the people whose lives have been so changed by the move of Wycombe Wanderers to their new stadium at Adams Park.

On match days our road is used as an overflow car park, not an ideal situation, but I like football. The noise from the stadium I can cope with, I like football. Access to my home on match days is a problem, but there haven't been many of those so far, and anyway I like football.

What I do NOT like are suggestions that the council must resolve the problem of access to the stadium by subsidising a bus service or a multi-storey car park. Council funds are stretched far enough without paying for schemes such as these, after all the football club is a business, other businesses would not expect such treatment.

However, as I believe the club is planning to double the capacity of the ground they must also have a solution to this problem.

I also understand the club hopes to level the spoil, removed during the construction of the stadium, to create a practice pitch but this will give them scope for other enterprises as well as saving them the expense of removing it.

There is also talk of investing in golfing facilities. It is obvious that the ambitions of Wycombe Wanderers extend far beyond those of a football club, they sound like a much more broadly-based leisure business. Perhaps we can, in the future, expect rock concerts and speedway too?

Mrs Letheren we rely on you now to continue to safeguard the interests of the locals, the environment and High Wycombe.

You've done all you could until now, please keep it up!

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