

Bucks Free Press survey gives big thumbs-up to plan All-seater stand could put Blues in the pink

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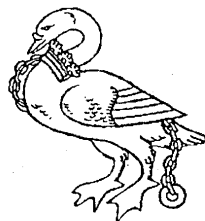
A BUCKS Free Press survey has highlighted overwhelming support for a second all-seater stand at Adams Park.

More than 100 readers cut out a coupon in last week's paper to send in their views on the scheme.

A total of 131 people said they supported the plans while just 11 readers said they did not think the Blues should be allowed a new stand.

The club is now calling for Wycombe Wanderers' fans to turn up at the Wycombe District Council planning applications panel meeting on Wednesday to show their support and hear the views of members. Councillors are due to make a decision at the meeting.

Graham Peart, financial director at the club said: "It is very encouraging that most people in the town, from the



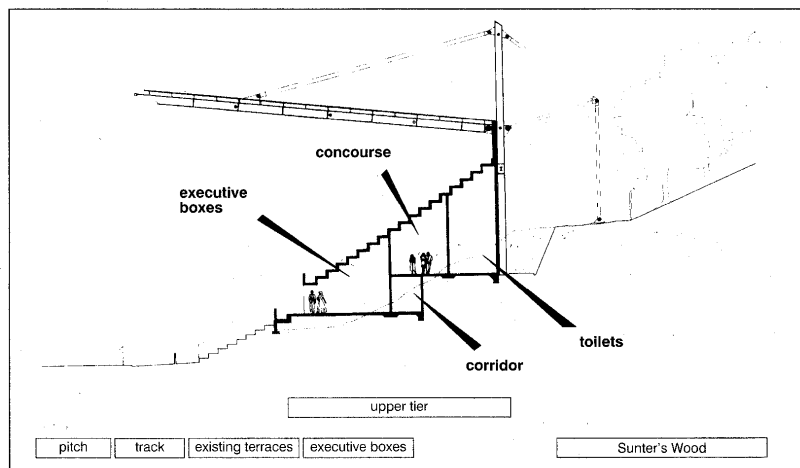
feedback we have had, are in favour in principle."

He believes opposition to the proposal has been from residents near the club in Sands, because of fears of parking problems.

He added: "It should not make any difference, the capacity of the stand is not intended to be increased."

The need for the new 5,000-seater stand has been highlighted by the Football League, which has agreed on new guidelines.

The club has three years to increase its number of seats from 1,400 to 2,000 or it could face expulsion from the league.



The new stand would cost £1.7 million. It would be built up the bank and would replace the Woodland Terrace. It would consist of two tiers and include a 2,000-seat family

stand, 150 seats for the disabled and 20 hospitality boxes.

In a Bucks Free Press readers' poll two months ago more than 60 out of 80 callers rang a vote line to say they supported

the stand. District councillor Stephen Billingham, (Lib Dem, West Wycombe and Sands), who is opposed to the new stand, says the football ground is in the wrong place.