

Blues may have to quit Adams Park

WYCOMBE Wanderers admitted this week that they may have to quit Adams Park in the future – but insist any move is a long way down the line.

The club have struggled with access problems in out of their 10,000 capacity stadium which they share with rugby club London Wasps.

The situation reached a head over Christmas when national rugby champions Leicester had to get off their coach and walk to Adams Park because the surrounding roads were gridlocked.

Wanderers spokesman Alan Hutchinson said: "The facilities in and out of here are bloody awful and if we ever got the opportunity at a later date to change that we would be looking to do that but at this moment in time it's not an option.

"We would be prepared to listen to the possibility of moving from Adams Park in the future if it was good for all parties.

"The money we have invested in Adams Park would mean that we are not prepared to dump it all.

"There could be a situation in the future where that may change but we fully expect to be here for the next five if not ten years."

No official talks have been held between the club and the council, which this week ruled out any possibility of the club being involved in the redevelopment plans for council-owned land at Handy Cross.

Head of planning policy at Wycombe council Jerry Unsworth said: "Some time ago there was discussion around Handy Cross but I haven't heard of anything of that nature.

He added: "For a stadium bigger and grander than Adams Park, you are talking about a significant amount of land and there is not that scale of land available in Wycombe this side of the M40.

"On the other side you are talking about land that the council doesn't own. You are into very big transport and traffic issues, green belt and the AONB [Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty]."