



UPDATE ON FARNHAM PARK PLAYING FIELDS AND SOUTH BUCKINGHAMSHIRE GOLF COURSE

Wycombe Wanderers Football Club (WWFC) and Buckinghamshire Council are progressing plans for the long-term future of Farnham Park Playing Fields and South Buckinghamshire Golf Course as a community sporting hub that will help more local people be active.

As part of this work, KSS Design Group has now been appointed as the project's architects to support the next stage of design and planning work, and the Club is also proposing changes to the operation of the golf course from 1 April 2026.

In August 2025, WWFC and Buckinghamshire Council announced a new partnership to secure the site's long-term future as a flagship sporting hub for the community, with a shared vision for a modern, multi-sports destination.

The aim is to create inclusive facilities that significantly increase opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to play sport and be active. Read more about our vision in the slides below

Since being selected as the preferred leaseholder, WWFC has been engaging with the clubs that use the playing fields and golf course, while also working with appointed architects on developing a vision for the site. KSS brings extensive experience in delivering complex sports and leisure projects and has been working closely with the Club to build a detailed understanding of the site and help shape a practical, long-term approach. These plans remain at an early stage, and further details will be shared in due course.

WWFC has also reviewed the future operation of the golf course, which the Club will be responsible for shortly. In recent years, the golf course has seen declining usage and has become financially unviable to operate in its current form. A key part of the long-term vision is to bring financial stability and sustainability to the site, and to do this the Club is proposing some changes to the golf course and overall operating model.

From April 2026, the course will operate in a revised format, with 9 holes in play and the remaining holes taken out of use, as well as the addition of a putting green and golf academy.

We believe these changes will help secure the club's long-term future by widening access to golf and supporting participation across all ages and abilities, alongside upgraded facilities for wider sport and recreation. The proposals also improve walking and running routes, strengthen sustainable travel options, create jobs, and embed long-term environmental stewardship.

This will be the first step towards widening participation in golf, making phased improvements to the facilities, and putting the course on a more affordable and sustainable footing for the future.

In the next three months, there will be a wider public consultation on the longer-term proposals for the whole site. This consultation will give local residents, site users and stakeholders the opportunity to view the emerging proposals, ask questions and share feedback before any planning application is submitted.

Further details on timings and how to take part will be shared in due course, with updates also available via the project [page](#).



Community Benefits



Introduction of new facilities designed to safeguard open spaces and preserve the site's natural character



Delivery of improved walking and running routes, alongside measures to support active travel and sustainable transport, including cycle storage and EV charging



High-quality, sensitive design that enhances visual amenity, refurbishes dilapidated buildings, and respects nearby heritage assets



More energy-efficient buildings through the modernisation of existing facilities



Development of a strong sense of community ownership and pride



Expansion of women's and girls' football, alongside wider social, education, and wellbeing programmes delivered through the Foundation



Generation of additional employment opportunities



Commitment to long-term environmental stewardship for future generations

Our Pillars

Community Access

Sporting Excellence

Environmental Sustainability



Participation & Community

Multi-purpose sporting hub which broadens access to sport for all

WWF will also expand Women's and Girls' football as part of a public, community-first project.



Health

Beyond sport, enhancing wellbeing by preserving and improving the natural environment.

Targeting at least 10% biodiversity net gain to support physical and mental health



Sporting Excellence

Enhancing existing sporting facilities - including football, rugby, softball, Padel, Golf

People of all ages and abilities can enjoy greater access to sport



Environmental Stewardship

Green Belt area, promoting environmental stewardship through habitat restoration.

Linking local community participation with environmental care.



Education

Category 1 Academy, providing a high-quality environment for local players to train, develop and progress.

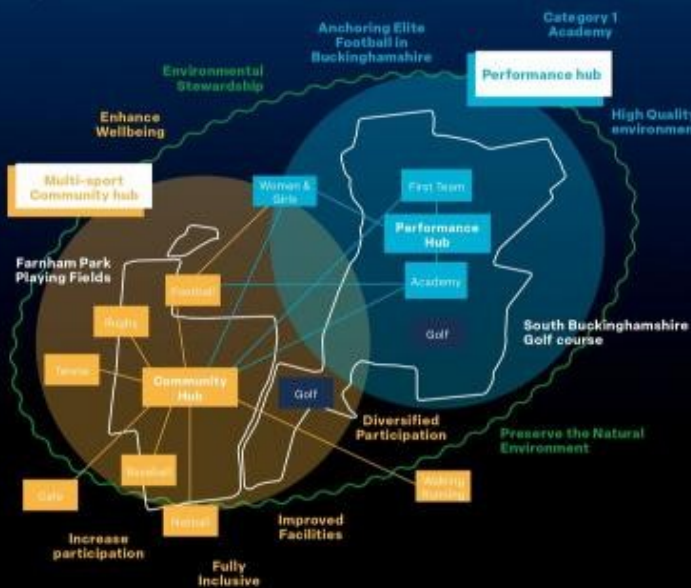
Anchoring Elite Football in Buckinghamshire

Investing in the Future

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Project Vision

Investing in the Future



A new sporting chapter for Buckinghamshire

Create a cost-effective multi-sport community and performance hub across Farnham Park Playing Fields and the South Buckinghamshire Golf Course

The future home of the Club's Category 1 Academy and 1st team alongside enhanced facilities for the Women's and Girls Programme through the Wycombe Wanderers Foundation

Create an environment that inspires excellence on the pitch and participation off it.

Safeguarding and enriching the green, open spaces that makes these sites special.

Project will be designed around the key vision pillars

Diversify Golf participation through phased enhancements to South Buckinghamshire Golf Course

Cost-effective long term operation, ensuring both sites are sustainable and value-conscious assets that serve future generations

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Dan Rice
Interim Chairman & Chief Football Officer

"We are committed to a long-term partnership that enhances and future-proofs the recreational and sporting value of South Buckinghamshire Golf Course and Farnham Park."

Our vision is founded on three key pillars: community access, sporting excellence, and environmental sustainability. From improving grassroots and multi-sport infrastructure to developing a state-of-the-art academy and training centre, we aim to create a lasting legacy that benefits both current users and future generations.



Tim Davies
Chief Finance Officer & Managing Director

We are dedicated to working openly and collaboratively with the Council, existing user groups, and the wider community to ensure that the site remains inclusive, accessible, and enriched by new investment. This is about safeguarding public use while unlocking new opportunities, participation, and activity for all.

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Community Benefits



Expansion and modernisation of existing sports and leisure facilities to provide inclusive, welcoming spaces for both structured and informal recreation



Enhanced participation and diversity in sport, with a strong focus on women, girls, youth, and underrepresented groups



Retention and enhancement of existing sports uses, securing the site's long-term future for publicly accessible outdoor sport and recreation



Provision of a Category 1 facility offering a high-quality environment to support player education, training, and development



Creation of a long-term sporting and community hub delivering lasting public benefit, consistent with the Eton Rural District Council Act



Strengthened partnerships with local schools, clubs, and community groups to tackle inactivity and improve health outcomes



Improved health and wellbeing through increased participation in physical activity for all ages and abilities



Diversification of existing golf club facilities to broaden access and increase participation

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