

VPG Stadium Development Public Consultation

About the Proposed Development

1. Q. Why are we remodelling rather than refurbishing the existing VPG?

A. Currently the Town Council spends a significant sum every year just to maintain the fabric of the facilities at the ground. Without the investment offered through the Towns' Fund, VPG would eventually fall into disrepair and close. The grass pitch is already over-played and cannot accommodate known unmet demand. VPG needs to become a financially sustainable asset enjoyed by many more of Goole's residents and visitors.

2. Q. Why the 3G pitch?

A. The carrying capacity of the natural grass infield is limited and soon becomes unplayable with over-use. An artificial "3G" pitch in place of the grass will allow significantly more activity on this site and we know there is unmet demand. A floodlit artificial grass pitch is key to ensuring the sustainability of the whole site.

3. Q. Why the compact athletics facilities?

A. The current use of the 400m oval track prevents concurrent use of the in-field pitch. This is not sustainable and an under use of a valuable resource. VPG needs to accommodate many more users - and at the same time. The proposed arrangements provide an alternative athletics offer in line with England Athletics Strategy. It will support athletics development activities and offer opportunities for community running and fitness sessions.

4. Q. Why the large parking area?

A. Opportunities to park at VPG are currently limited and need to be increased to support the improved facilities. Additional parking will keep cars off nearby roads and is essential in promoting the new built facilities as a 'destination venue' for sports activities and hospitality functions.

5. Q. What will the new pavilion offer?

A. For sports club and recreational participants the proposals provide a new well-managed, accessible, clean, safe, prestige facility with modern changing, toilet, and shower facilities and officials' accommodation. Visitors to the site will enjoy a café and social space and spectator stands with covered seating. The upstairs hospitality suite and bar, with viewing over the sports facilities, will be promoted as a 'go to' venue for meetings, conferences and events and provide a quality venue for local people to book private functions.



Proposed site plan
1:500

