

DESIGN STATEMENT

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FOR

REDFEARN'S JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Burton Road, Monk Bretton, Barnsley, S71 2JS

Redfearn's Sport Grounds



Project Overview

The purpose of the project is to create a safe and secure area for our younger teams. Age range from four to eight years old and a Disabled Development Team – Age range from seven to twelve years old. This team in particular addresses the lack of opportunities for youngsters with chronic medical issues, like epilepsy, and we are the only Club in the area to offer this service.

The scope is to transform an area previously being a bowling green to a secure space for these children by erecting a fence with one gate and placing a ramp for pedestrians as well as providing wheelchair access. This area has a car park on one side and a senior football pitch on another. The proposed area will have an improved surface for playing.

The Club has been in contact with special schools, Sheffield and Hallamshire County FA and other groups through face-to-face meetings, social media and electronic mails. Many meetings have taken place with interested parents and children. The club outlined their vision, listened to their views and agreed the way forward and specific actions. Weekly winter coaching sessions have taken place using the Sports Hall at Carlton School and continuous dialogue with its users.

Our priorities are to teach certain individuals to build their confidence and to help the teams to build a stronger friendship off the field. The club promotes socialising outside of training hours by also offering bowling, laser quest and trampoline entertainment which is important for encouraging teamwork. Many youngsters are nervous when they first join in, but within three weeks are leaving on the side lines their parents in order to join the team.

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The design suggests the erection of two fences which will be 41metres long each. The posts will be metal and painted in green. One of the fences will have a gate with an approximate 2m high gate by 1.2metres wide. The main purpose is to provide extra protection to the children. The fence without the gate will shield the children from the car park area while the fence with the gate will provide access to the pedestrians while shielding the children from any games which may take place on the top pitch.