

Bryncoch Sports Club

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Information in support of the proposed location of the raised platform

The committee highlighted several reasons why it wouldn't be possible to place the sun terrace in front of the Club:

1. Supporters watching the match from the Clubhouse will not be able to see with a terrace full of supporters.
2. Sponsors watching the match from the Sponsors Lounge will not be able to see with a terrace full of supporters.
3. During the cold winter the sun only thaws out the bottom of the Main pitch when it rises above the top of the existing building around midday. Often games are cancelled due to that part of the pitch still being frozen. Attaching the terrace to the front of the building will delay when the sun starts to thaw out that part of the pitch and increase chances of fixture cancellations and a loss of revenue.
4. The intended function of the proposed raised platform, being located to the side of the building, is to promote and encourage the use of the sports facilities by families with younger children, and to be able to view the fixtures from an area outside the main body of the lounge area, where it would be quieter and feel less cramped. It will also enable disabled spectators to have a better experience watching the various fixtures, both rugby and cricket.
5. It is the intention and purpose of the Club, to encourage more of the local community, both older and younger, to become more involved and benefit from the activities the Club provide.
6. It is recognised that many of the more enthusiastic supporters would remain at pitch level, any normal noise would remain the same, so the need for sound proofing to the rear of the platform is totally unnecessary, and would detract from attracting families to use the facility. Any noise generated from the platform would be insignificant.
7. The closest property is some 82m away from the proposed platform, far away enough that any additional noise would dissipate well before reaching the property.

8. Attaching to the front will attract extra costs to amend a fully functional clubhouse, with bi-folding doors, which many of members enjoy and spectate from.
9. Attaching it to the front will also take away some of existing spectator area with limited space between Clubhouse and pitch-side crowd barriers.
10. Our members have requested an elevated sun terrace, ideal for watching both cricket and rugby fixtures.
In front of the Clubhouse is too far away for the cricket and the terrace will only be completed baked in sunshine towards the end of the day.