



Cullompton Rugby Football Club

Founded in 1892

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8th March 2011.

Dear Ms Pickering,
Mid Devon Infrastructure Strategy Initial Consultation.

Thank you for your letter of the 16th February.

On behalf of Cullompton RFC I wish to make the following points:

- 1) The Club currently owns one pitch and a small training area (5acres). We have use of a further ten acres app. which contains two full size pitches and a three-quarter size pitch (in private ownership) and a small training paddock for mini rugby which is rented from Cullompton United Charities.
- 2) The Club has three senior men's sides (from 2011/12 season they will be joined by a colts or fourth senior side) and a Ladies XV.
- 3) There is a thriving junior section with over 250 players registered which field's eight teams on Sundays which range from 8-18 in age playing competitively against other Clubs.
- 4) Unlike many other Clubs in the County there are no other rugby pitches or facilities available to us within the Town for youth rugby use either from Educational or other establishments.
- 5) As training takes place on the existing facilities on at least four nights a week throughout the winter together with games every Saturday and Sunday the pressure on them is immense and games are lost in wet weather because the pitches are grassless by mid winter.
- 6) The Club is searching for suitable extra pitches to maintain the current level of demand. This has not been successful to date as at least two level, well drained, pitches are required ideally with changing facilities (pitches normally 120mtr x 70mtrs) and the purchase price would be beyond the Clubs capability.

Cullompton Rugby Club has been successful in providing a well run sporting facility for the town's youth for many years without any assistance, financial, or otherwise, and any support the Local Authority can supply would be appreciated.

March 22, 2011

Yours sincerely,

Vivian Pring
Club President