

Chippenham Town Council Stanley Park Sports Ground

Stanley Park Sports Ground is Chippenham Town Council's newest facility and is located to the south east of Chippenham. This £2M, environmental friendly 47 acre site is now established and been open to the public for over 5 years. It can proudly boast 18 first class playing surfaces ranging from the smallest Mini soccer pitch to the largest Adult, and has grown from 20 home teams in 2004 to a massive 71 in 2009, with a total of 94 different teams and organisations using this supreme facility over the past year as a home venue or location for an event.

Chippenham Town Councils Football in the Community scheme has been up and running now since 2006, and offers quality coaching for between 400 -500 children per quarter, and to add that 1,950+ different children were coached during 2009/10 through various sessions and courses held by the scheme.

During 2009/10;

- 6,888 matches and training sessions have taken place since the official opening, with an average for 2009/10 of 156 matches and training sessions per month, with each of the 18 pitches being played on 114 times.
- 71 local & regional football teams chose to make Stanley Park their home ground for the 2009/10 season.
- CTC Football in the Community is still going from strength to strength, and now actively holds coaching sessions in 6 of the 11 primary schools in Chippenham.
- Full Planning permission was granted for the Extension to the building and a Floodlit artificial surface at the Site/park.

Planned for 2010/11;

- Funding to be confirmed so to proceed with extension to building and a floodlit artificial surface.
- BMX Track construction to be finished and track opened.
- Portable Floodlight leasing is again planned, hopefully for the last year.
- Actively move into ALL Chippenham primary schools with the FITC Scheme so to affect whole of Chippenham with regards to Children's sporting development, in line with Sites Development Pathway.
- More continued funding/sponsorship to be sought so to put on more sessions, to enhance the 'Footy 4 All' mentality & strategy, and also the set up of a homework club linked into sport.
- Consultancy and planning to be started with regards the possible construction of 3 x 2 acre fishing lakes at the park on the undeveloped 10 acres.