

SEYMOUR VILLA FOOTBALL CLUB



Founded in 2001

Dear Parents

Re: Improving and re-developing the Seymour Villa changing rooms and the bowls clubhouse in Alexandra Recreation Ground.

You probably know that the football club needs more storage space and that the changing rooms have seen better days. The same is true for the bowls club part of the building, although it is solid the pavilion hasn't changed much in 30 years and needs other essential improvements like access for people with disabilities and new toilet facilities.

So, Seymour Villa is a partner in a project with the bowls club and the Friends of the Park to redevelop the whole pavilion. This is a big challenge that will take several years to happen; although the Council is supportive, we will have to do the fundraising and preparatory work ourselves.

In the first instance we are hoping people would be willing to lend a little of their time and expertise. We intend to submit a planning application next year but before that we need to develop credible plans for the building work and finding the money. The project team need help with project planning, costings for the works, legal advice and fundraising. If there is any other help you can offer it would be great to hear about that too.

If you are able to offer any help now or in the future, please let Gary or Julian know and someone from the project team will be in touch to discuss how you can help.

A local architect (in his own time) has drawn up an initial image of what the building could look like, the chances are it will end up differently but it gives you an idea of what we are aiming for; a secure future for Seymour Villa and the bowls club, in a building that is a real community asset that makes the park a better place for everyone to enjoy.

Many thanks

The Chairman and Committee