

**TRAFFORD COUNCIL**

**Report to:** Safety at Sports Grounds Sub-Committee  
**Date:** 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
**Report for:** Information  
**Report of:** The Deputy Chief Executive

**Report Title**

**Annual Match Visit of the Safety at Sports Grounds Sub-Committee to Lancashire County Cricket Club, on Wednesday 7th September 2016**

**Summary**

**Report describing the annual match visit 2016**

**Recommendation**

**That the report be noted.**

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Background Papers: None

# **SAFETY AT SPORTS GROUNDS ADVISORY GROUP ANNUAL MATCH VISIT LANCASHIRE COUNTY CRICKET CLUB**

## **1. BACKGROUND**

- 1.1. Each year the Safety at Sports Grounds Sub-Committee are invited to carry out a match visit to Lancashire County Cricket Club (LCCC). This year's visit took place on Wednesday 7th September 2016 at the T20 One Day International, England against Pakistan.

## **2. SUMMARY**

- 2.1. The match was attended by Councillor Nathan Evans, Chairman of the Safety at Sports Grounds Sub Committee and Councillor Andrew Western along with Council Officer's Iain Veitch (Head of Regulatory Services) and Tony Bibi (Team Leader Environmental Control & Sports Ground Safety)
- 2.2. The visiting group were welcomed by Andy Smith, Chief Steward who escorted the group to view the ongoing construction of the new hotel development and to assess the sight lines of 'A' Stand , in view of the ongoing construction work as well as the provision of disabled seating.
- 2.3. This was followed by a visit to the Medical Centre where the group was advised on the emergency service provision and emergency vehicular routes. Observations were then made of potential 'pinch points' close to Brian Statham Way including the security checks at the gate entry by the use of spectator bag searches and wand scanning.
- 2.4. A visit was then made to the Players and Media Building to view the broad casting areas as well as the operations within the stadium control room prior to the match commencing which included a discussion on the ticketing controls that are carried out. The tour continued with a visit to the temporary 'D' stand where the group were further advised on seating arrangements and the managing of any customer care issues that may arise.
- 2.5. Following refreshments, the group revisited the stadium control room and met with Anthony Mundy (Operations Director) and Ian Aspey (Safety Officer) to observe CCTV operations and the use of monitoring social media traffic (face book and twitter) in order for the Club to be able to respond in real time to any positive / negative concerns.

The tour concluded with discussions about match day safety arrangements and the Policing requirements.

### 3. RECOMMENDATION.

3.1. That the report be noted.

Financial Implications:	N/A
Legal Implications:	N/A
Human Resources Implications:	N/A
Asset Management Implications:	N/A
E-Government Implications:	N/A
Risk Management Implications:	N/A