

CARNEGIE NPFA PLAYING FIELD: LIGHTWATER PLAYING FIELD, WINDLESHAM, SURREY

Site details

Location: Broadway Road, Windlesham,
GU18 5SJ
Landowner: NPFA (holding Trustee), Windlesham
Parish Council (Managing Trustee)
Size: 3.5 acres

History

There was no playing field in the village of Lightwater and the community were anxious to acquire a piece of land to be laid out as a playing field. The site was acquired at a cost of £300 to meet the needs of the inhabitants of Lightwater which lies in the Urban District Council of Windlesham.

Grant awards were agreed in 1930:

Carnegie UK Trust grant	£65.00
NPFA grant	£20.00
Surrey County Playing Fields Association	£20.00
Windlesham Urban District Council	£100.00

The proposal was to erect a cattle proof fence, clean and sow arable land, level a cricket pitch and tennis courts, erect a small pavilion with shelter, equip a childrens playground, improve the entrance and fit gates, to provide maintenance equipment.

Protection status

The land is vested in the NPFA who act as custodian Trustee with Windlesham Parish Council acting as managing trustee. It is therefore considered to be protected as a playing field in perpetuity. The playing field was also given the designation of a QEII Field as part of the QEII Fields Challenge in 2012.

Facilities and Activities

Lightwater Recreation Ground is situated just outside of the village of Lightwater on the road towards Windlesham. The site offers an enclosed space for sport and informal recreation with a full size football pitch and a play area. A pavilion

is situated alongside both and plans in being formulated to replace it with a modern facility to provide greater recreational opportunities to the local community. Three sides of the field are attractively lined with mature trees planted as a memorial to those who lost their lives in WWII. A small car par provides parking for approximately 10-12 vehicles.

Location



Birds eye view. The area outlined in red is Lightwater Playing Field



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