

Suburbs Development Plan 2012 - 2014

2011 and Beyond

- To continue on some great work over the last few years we need to continue to create a succession plan that enables future members to reap the benefits and bed down the scope of a 2 year development plan.
- Key areas that need to be addressed and if necessary invested are, training facilities, clubrooms, volunteers and fundraising. These are the four priorities that the rest will lead from.
- Volunteers are vital to the club functioning within the financial constraints of the 21st century and giving it its community heart and providing the fundraising resources.
- Training facilities will encourage and attract the players, coaches, local supporters, volunteers and sponsors.
- The clubrooms will provide the venue for celebrating continued success, events, and functions internal and external, thus a valuable income resource.

2 year development 2012 to 2014

- New training areas to be developed to accommodate the increased numbers in 2012. **When – early 2012 ready for 2012 season.**
- The Suburbs Rugby Club would like to build a new 8-room changing room. **When – late 2012 for completion 2013.**
- It is also proposed to convert the existing changing rooms (which adjoin the existing clubrooms) into a larger extension of the clubrooms. **When – late 2012 for completion 2013.**
- Utilization of both Shadbolt and Racecourse playing-training facilities a must for the above to be realized in 2012.
- Increase the fundraising capability for the club via – planned events and activities – thus requiring a strong dedicated bunch of volunteers and commitment from the senior players/teams of the club
- The above will be implemented on a 3 stage plan.

Training Facilities

Stage One:

- Additional training lights on the lower field for training next season. These lights and / or wiring to be completed this summer season in readiness for the winter season. The positioning of the wiring and the lights to be positioned to accommodate one full playing field and two training areas in the seasons 2013 going forward.
- Consent to be obtained from Council for the leveling and additional lighting for the training field above the tan.

No 2 Field

Stage Two:

- Based on the commitment by Suburbs with clubroom and changing facilities, The Council agree to install an all weather surface providing for a playing field and two training areas by 2013.

Changing Rooms / Clubroom

Stage Three:

An appropriate changing room structure to be built between the car park and the existing No: 1 field. This structure to incorporate the following:

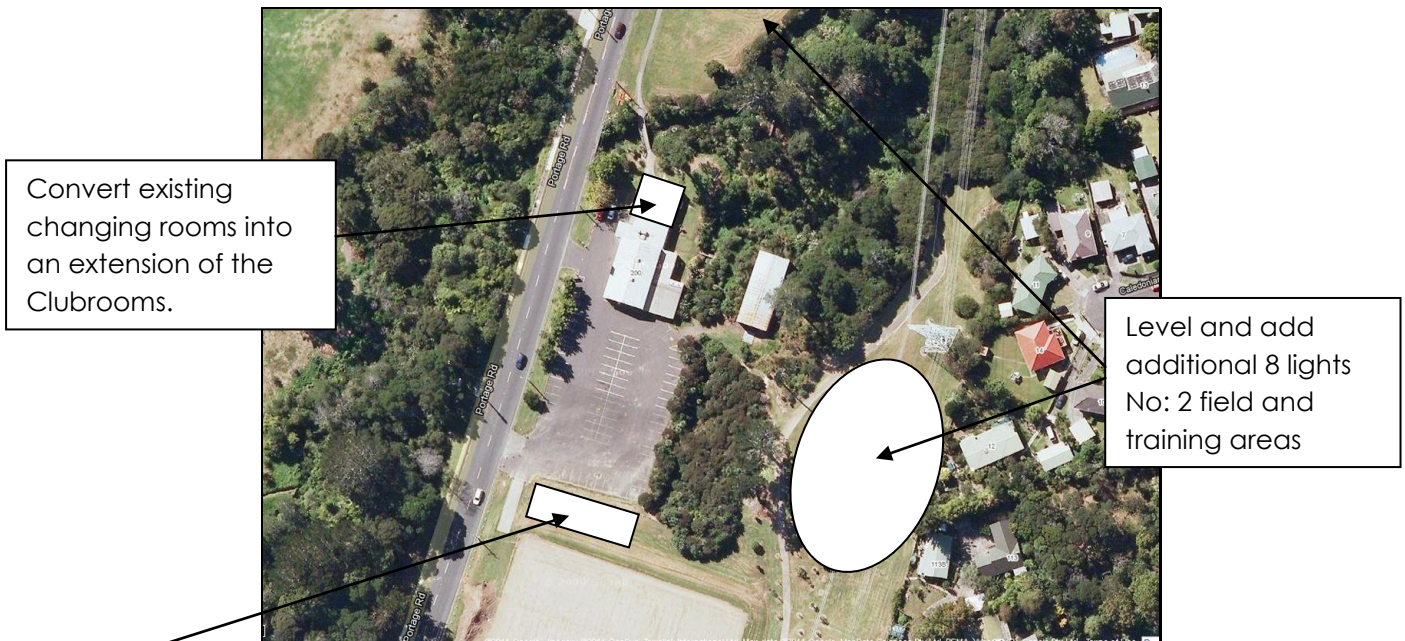
- Eight changing rooms and complimentary shower
- Referees room with independent shower
- Toilets serving both Club and public
- A St John's Ambulance room

If the above is agreed to then the club at its cost including grants and other sponsorship:

Suburbs RFC will renovate the Clubrooms being a refurbishment of the existing social areas of the Club, Bar and toilets.

Contemporaneously with the construction of the new changing rooms the existing changing area be converted to a social area for the Club.

Proposed Site Development



Option – A two level rectangular 250m² building (with approx 125 m² footprint) with 4 changing rooms and toilets at the (lower) car park level with entrances facing towards the clubrooms and 4 changing rooms at the (higher) main field level with entrances facing the main field. This option would require the excavation of the sloped earth-bank.

Sooner rather than later!

We can accelerate the above steps if the Club contributes capital to the costs. The Club advances the funds on the basis that the Council will reimburse the Club for this cash contribution. This reimbursement applies to any capital paid for by the Club with the exception of capital works in the Clubrooms itself.

Development and Planning

We propose we implement stage one immediately with the appropriate consents from Council, ARU and Club members completed February 2012.

For the above to function we need to develop a clear strategy for running rugby in 2012 using both the Racecourse and Shadbolt as training areas for both Junior and Senior Rugby. Detailed training schedules posted prior to season commencing. Completed February 2012 and posted on Website if not prior.

The above 3 stage plan will require the Club to spend some money on upgrading the current changing facilities. This would be of a temporary nature rather than a full complete renovation.

Presentation to all teams, coaches, managers and interested club members March 2012.