12 DISC - IRRIGATION WATER STORAGE FOR OUTDOOR HOCKEY PITCH (AN299-2002)

The Committee is advised that water from the existing irrigation system used to facilitate the wet outdoor hockey pitch at DISC has become contaminated. Monthly routine microbiological check has identified local contamination in the fresh-water supply system which has also resulted in contamination to the pitch. The water supply problem is due to cross-contamination from the abandoned site re-cycling system into the irrigation header tank fed directly from the mains. The easiest and best long-term solution involved installation of a completely separate above-ground header tank.

At the present moment the situation has resulted in the wet pitch being rendered unsuitable in it's current condition for hockey. There is therefore an urgent requirement to resolve the situation both from a health and safety and operational perspective and as such a quote has been received from a specialist supplier; Filpumps, Aberdeenshire for the supply and installation of the above ground storage tank and feeder system for £8,037.43.

It is therefore recommended that the quote be accepted together with professional fees of £2,000 and contingencies for associated works of £3,000, making the total cost of the work £13,037.43. The costs can be contained from the 2002/2003 Leisure and Arts Capital Budget.