

# Jordanhill Community Council

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## Summary of Documents obtained from FoI requests made by JCC to Glasgow Life concerning the possible development of the Scotstoun Stadium for Glasgow Warriors rugby matches

Taken mainly from minutes of the Glasgow Warriors Stadium Project Team meetings and closely related documents. Calendar year 2018. Points listed below are in the chronological order in which they appeared in the minutes.

1. Mott MacDonald (the travel consultant appointed) to be asked for additional local area modelling for 12,500 attendees, up to 15,000 for special games. Warriors need increased capacity, improvement in corporate hospitality, supporter experience enhancement, improved rugby performance provision.

2. Allotments. Road access to allotments important. Access provision important. Confirmation of land ownership needed; ASAP. Discussions on site masterplan and masterplan for the local area, including Victoria Park, Jordanhill and Scotstoun needed. To be commissioned by Property and Land Services Group.

3. From Mott MacDonald, Existing site accessibility by all travel routes (as for the 2017 Travel Assessment). Match days Fri evenings, Sat afternoons according to the Existing Site Overview; walking and cycling, public transport, parking, accident data, existing patterns of travel. No change in on-site parking. Need to assess the likely increase in person-trip generation. Hence, Impact.

1. May need to expand existing Residents' Parking Zone
2. Determine whether the existing walking-plus-cycling routes need improvement.
3. No vehicle or pedestrian modelling is proposed.
4. Public Transport Assessment. Is there enough capacity to accommodate the projected increase? (*Could be argued that bus frequencies are presently inadequate, particularly evening services*).

Mitigation. Measures that may be proposed.

1. Implementation of Residential Parking Zone(s).
2. Improvement of walking-plus-cycling routes, lighting, crossing points, signage, markings.
3. Increasing services, rail and bus, capacities on match days.
4. Use of shuttle buses/coaches. Park and ride, Park and walk.
5. Off-site parking, e.g. in Victoria Park.
6. Encourage the use of sustainable transport options (*whatever these may mean*).

*(Essentially the proposals are 'more of the same' measures that have yet to be implemented in full)*

Summary and Next Steps. Need to confirm with GCC that:

1. The assessment approach is acceptable.
2. That no new additional parking surveys needed.
3. Any committed development to be taken into account.
4. Any safety issues that need to be considered.

Agreed that M.M. scoping document covers what would be needed. Ownership of allotments land is Scottish Water not GCC. Right of access needed by SW for working sewerage. Transfer of ownership to GCC? Masterplan for site plus local area being carried forward. Provision for allotments would be included within the masterplan. 'Without the allotments it would be very difficult to achieve a scheme that gives the stadium a worthwhile net in capacity seats and corporate hospitality capacity. 'Suggestion: Design should look to include other stadium areas, not focus solely on the North Stand, given allotment/residents discussions.' Lease, Business Plan and Stadium Management need to be reviewed.

Meeting with Council Leader took place 11th June. Finance Department Scottish Rugby and GCC to meet. GCC strategy for athletics focussed on individual events at Emirates Arena. Conversations held with SportScotland and UK Athletics; both encouraged by Option 3 proposal. Scottish Athletics will confirm their spectator requirements. Public Meeting. Purpose to remind residents/community that further discussion, as stated at 2016 meetings, are being followed up. GCC suggested that residents should be asked for ideas and feedback to inform a listening exercise. Timeline and brief design schemes should be presented. Process schedule to start mid-August. Planning application should be submitted prior to Christmas 2018. Meeting with Local Councillors/MPs and Victoria Park Athletics should be held in advance of public meeting. Traffic and travel report for 12,500 capacity commissioned by Mott MacDonald. More work needed to ensure a credible solution in place for Allotments/Masterplan for the planning application. Listen to residents for questions about allotments. Arrange meeting with Scottish Water but do not show plans just yet.

Public meeting date, Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018. Invitations to Cllrs and three CCs. Mott MacDonald commissioned to look at the potential increase in capacity and how the local area would manage. Feedback from local groups/residents required; must avoid negativity about the project. Project Group should meet with Victoria Park Working Group, Athletics working group, all three CCs.

Questions about Traffic Restriction Order (TRO), outreach work with local schools, e.g. Scotstoun Primary. Presentation to be updated and shaped by Glasgow Life. Pre-public meeting. 'What should be said about the future of the Stadium? An enlarged Stadium fit for purpose. -----can remind the audience what was said at the three previous public meetings ---- required to develop a permanent solution at Scotstoun that meets the current and future needs of Rugby and Athletics but which addresses the various challenges which the expanding stadium causes in the surrounding community.'

SportScotland is unhappy about not being invited to be part of the discussions about expansion of the Stadium. 'Feel excluded'. May cause difficulties in the future, bearing in mind the significant investment made by SportScotland. Mollify by Head of Sport, probably too early (*to be involved*), bearing in mind that the present plans are only one option, e.g. maybe use Hampden Park (?).

Minute of **Engagement Meeting**-Scotstoun Stadium, 6 pm Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2018. A short summary from a detailed minute. Three reps from Glasgow Life, two from Glasgow Warriors.

Presentation points included:

Meeting purpose, to update on travel plan, to outline Glasgow Sports commitment to dialogue with Rugby and Athletics about long term solutions. Currently no formal plans to share. Success of GW at Scotstoun. Details of Travel Plan. Need for a long-term plan.

Questions from the floor include:

Details of current parking fine, repeat offenders, how many travel by car, patrols by Community Safety Vans, Why no parking enforcement in WCC area, taxi enforcement, bus routes, cycle infrastructure,

ScotRail services, notice of large events at Scotstoun, statistics from others than Season ticket holders, use of VP blaze for parking, updates from MMacD, access via Nature Walk, additional parking lots, promotion of other travel possibilities, feasibility for 10,000 capacity.

*(Many of the travel points raised have been debated at Travel Plan meetings held subsequently during 2019, so far without any real solutions emerging)*

Scotstoun Stadium document, Nov. 2018. By Glasgow Sport. Paper sets out the current management and partnership arrangements for Scotstoun Stadium and the important role this venue plays within the Glasgow Life/GCC sports estate. Lists Key Partners, Tenants, Existing Users, etc.

Conclusion. Ramifications arising from any decisions to sell Stadium are listed. Possible outcome could be for Scottish Rugby to acquire the Stadium. Could help to mitigate some of the ramifications.

**There are further documents to be received. Watch this Space.**