

Proposals for new outdoor sports facilities for Castle Rushen High School go on display

The plans for the proposed development of new outdoor sports facilities at Castle Rushen High School will be on display on Thursday 17 October 2019, between 3.30pm and 7.00pm in the library at the secondary school.

The proposals form the first phase of the Isle of Man Government's planned new build for the school.

The display will show the development of new outdoor sports facilities and playing fields, which will include a total of four football pitches, two for under 17/18 games and two for under 11/12 games, a cricket pitch with artificial wicket and cricket nets.

Representatives from the Department of Education, Sport and Culture, the design team and the school will be available to explain the proposals and answer questions from the public.

Graham Cregeen, Minister for Education, Sport and Culture said:

'The proposed new outdoor sports facilities, for which a planning application will be progressed shortly, mark an important first step in the planned new build for the school.

'Subject to the necessary approvals, work will begin on the site in late March 2020, with the aim that the construction is completed by October 2020, and the pitches will be established for use from September 2021.'

The planned development uses a field located directly adjacent to the north-west boundary of the existing playing fields. The scheme includes full land drainage for the new playing fields, and pipework which will be installed under the pitches to link to a ground source heat pump as part of the heating system for the new school. Temporary access from Arbory Road to the construction site will be created through a farm field.