

Dear Vale Royal Athletic Club Member,

In May 2009, you may recall that despite years of fantastic efforts from the Club, Council and other supporters of our goal of upgrading the Knight's Grange facility to a fully functioning track and field athletics facility, this fell at the final hurdle when the newly formed CWAC Council could not meet the funding request of Sports England. Since then £30,000 funds from other sources have expired putting all funding at risk if we do not act quickly.

Despite this major setback, the Management Committee has continued to work with CWAC Council in suggesting ways in which the £120,000 of temporary funds set aside by Vale Royal Borough Council and Winsford Town Council might be spent.

We must act now to try and secure this temporary funding which may only be used for the development of the Knight's Grange facility or risk having no funding and having to start the process of raising all funds from scratch. Please be clear that it is not very likely that the Club will be able to raise the necessary funds for either Option 3 or Option 4.

We would like to poll our members' views on our options. These are:

Option 1:

To **support the development of Knight's Grange** towards the goal of a fully fledged track and field facility by:

1. Purchase of Hammer and Discus Cage & area (£20,000) ;
2. Installation of High Jump and Javelin synthetic surface (£35,000) ;
3. Purchase of equipment for the above (£3,000) ;
4. Installation of 2.8m security fence to protect site from vandalism (£50,000) ;
5. Purchase of port-a-cabin and additional storage **from Club funds** (£7,000).

Option 2:

To do the above, **excluding the security fencing running the risk of vandalism to the new facilities**, and invest the funds in:

6. Second end Javelin synthetic surface (£10,000) ;
7. Pole Vault and Alternative Long jump (£30,000) ;
8. Purchase of additional equipment (£10,000).

Option 3:

To **delay the development of Knight's Grange** and probably lose the existing funding by:

9. Attempting to raise at least a further £200,000 in the next 9 months ;
10. Add these funds to the pledged funds to create a 6 lane synthetic track.

Option 4:

To **delay the development of Knight's Grange** and almost certainly lose the existing funding by:

11. Attempting to raise a further £500,000 in the next 9 months to fund the full track and field facility.

Remember we will lose ALL funds we have already secured if we do not urgently commit to an option.

POLL **Option** _____

Member's Name: _____

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PLEASE ADD ANY OTHER COMMENTS FOR THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ON THE REVERSE OF THIS SHEET OF PAPER

The Management Committee would like to know which of these **FOUR** options you as Members would prefer. The Management Committee will vote on the options on 23rd November 2009. **The Management Committee vote will be the deciding vote.**

Of course, the ultimate decision on the use of funding lies with both CWAC Council and Winsford Town Council and their decisions may be different to the aspirations of both Members and the Management Committee.