

Alex Moore Artificial Upgrade

Beginning of October - Mid December 2024

Kia ora,

You are receiving this information as you have been identified as a key stakeholder at Alex Moore Artificial Park.

Wellington City Council (WCC) has committed to the upgrade of the Artificial turf at Alex Moore due to the end of its playable life. We recognise that there is never a good time to take a park out of action due to the considerable demand of this ground but have tried to schedule this around the seasonal game usage.

A considerable amount of work has happened for this project to start and have booked this work to commence at the beginning of October for up to 3 months.

While we are excited about what we will have for the future, we are mindful of the disruption that will impact on the sessions you have had at Alex Moore in the past. We will do everything we can to ensure that you can continue to run your summer programmes.

I will be sending out a regular Stakeholder monthly newsletter when the work has commenced.

Work Programme

We have appointed experienced contractors Polytan to carry out the work at Alex Moore and have a comprehensive work plan. The work has been pushed back to commence at the beginning of October and is expected to undergo testing mid-December before being handed back to us for use at the end of January.



The initial work will consist of the removal of the existing synthetic surface, work on the shock pad (and if necessary, a full replacement of these shock pads), the installation of the new surface and the infill necessary to complete a premier artificial. FIFA and World Rugby testing will be carried out to ensure that this is at the levels required for these codes.

The new turf will be a Liga Turf Cross 25018/18 with a Brockfill infill which has

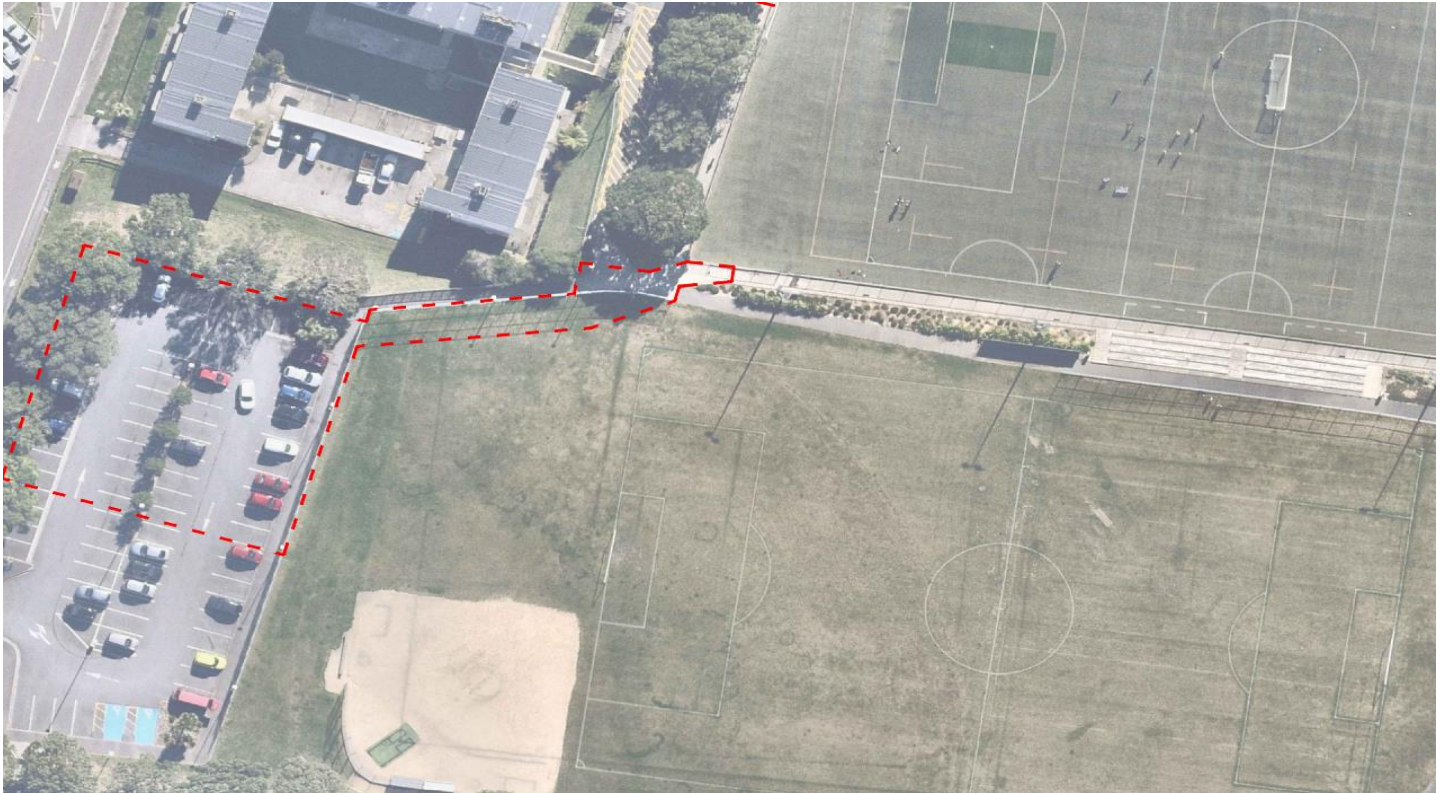
exceptionally high ratings for sustainability and is used in other parts of the country and world successfully.

Impact

As with any upgrade, it is not just those using the artificial surface who will be impacted. With the loss of this field comes a logistical juggling act of finding appropriate grounds for those users that will be displaced for the duration of the build.

Access to the artificial will require large vehicles to use the corner of the grass field above (softball) and the markings of this field will need to be remarked to ensure Softball will still have a working area. In addition to this approx. 15 car parks will be out of action for the months during the renewal.

At this time of the year, cricket, touch, and football are also normally in action on the turf and will need to be reallocated to ensure these players are still accessing their sport. The upper field will be unaffected from the work programme but will need to accommodate other sports throughout this time, as has been done before. We are working with these codes to ensure that all games can go ahead.



As we receive start dates, I will get these out to you.

Please feel free to pass on this information to anyone that you feel needs to be made aware or refer them to me so that I can add them to the Stakeholders information group. They will then be a recipient of these updates.

Ngā mihi,

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