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Milly Southworth

From: Keiran Moon <keiran1983@hotmail.com>
Sent: 08 February 2022 19:15
To: Milly Southworth
Subject: Disabled access to the Tennis Courts

Good evening Milly,

I trust you are well.

I understand that the Town Council are planning on opening the Tennis courts in time for this February half term. This is good news, however I am concerned that there is not enough time for the Town Council to install the required disabled access which will fulfil their duty under the Equalities act.

Local authorities have a legal duty to make 'reasonable adjustments' to allow disabled residents to enjoy and access council facilities and sports and leisure areas which they control.

Opening the tennis facilities after a period of closure and upgrading without first ensuring there is the ability for those with disabilities to access, take part or spectate would be to knowingly be treating them differently from those without a disability. This clearly creates an inequality and one which could be foreseen and planned to avoid.

Please could the Town Council tell me how they intend to ensure that they have made reasonable adjustments in line with the equalities act, to allow disabled council tax paying residents to access the tennis courts when you open them this half term?

Kindest Regards

Keiran Moon