

# Perfectly planned pitches for Chichester school



AGRIPOWER undertook a detailed consultation and planning process with Chichester District Council before constructing a synthetic training pitch at Great Ballard preparatory school. The process entailed detailed site surveys carried out with Agripower's latest GPS Leica surveying system and ground modeling software. The company also used their Micro Drainage package to calculate drainage flow rates and run off, complying with SUDS (sustainable urban drainage solutions).

The detailed design and planning process took into account the importance of the vista of the main school building and grounds being grade two listed. The main building, Eartham House, was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, and the gardens by Gertrude Jekyll.

The project entailed the planning, design and construction of a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) 30m x 20m with a 1.2m high perimeter ball stop fencing, which was chosen so as to limit the impact on the surrounding landscape.

A 24mm multipurpose carpet was chosen, with a prefabricated rubber shockpad over a dynamic base to minimise trafficking and ultimately reduce the impact on the surrounding environment.

School Bursar Terry Hockley said: "We would have no hesitation in recommending Agripower to another school. Their professionalism from the initial enquiry though to construction, then their aftercare, was second to none."

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# Agripower Awarded "Investors in People"

AGRIPOWER Contractors has gained "Investors in People" accreditation – the UK's leading people management business improvement standard.

The Buckinghamshire-based company has been trading for close to fifty years and has grown significantly over the last few years with turnover increasing exponentially. Having looked at the range of business improvement tools in the marketplace, Agripower identified the "Investors in People" standard as one that would help them significantly address any challenges facing

the business in the future.

Graham Longdin of Agripower said: "The accreditation is an excellent tool that can be used to identify ways of raising Agripower's performance and is a practical and reliable framework for continuous development. "Investors in People" advisers, assessors and self-check tools can tell how well we are performing, suggesting key performance indicators or providing tailored business advice on where to best focus development activity."

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