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Faraday Road Football Ground Re-opens!

Newbury Community Football Group (NCFG) are delighted to support the re-opening of the Faraday Road Football on the 19th November 2023

NCFG has been campaigning to save the local football ground for over 7 years, since the previous Conservative led administration decided to evict Newbury FC from the ground in June 2018 and left the site dormant and un-used.

NCFG led a powerful campaign to protect this valuable local sports asset, challenging West Berkshire Council on their plans to build flats on the football ground and received huge local support including a petition of over 7,000 signatures, one of the biggest ever seen in West Berks

There were many twists and turns along the way over the last 7 years and at the Local Elections in May, with the Lib Dems, Greens and Labour all making manifesto promises to save Faraday Road, the decision was ultimately (and rightly) those of the residents of West Berks who voted for change.

The re-opening event takes place at 11.30am on the 19th November, with NCFG organising the footballing events of the day. The event will include the league fixture for Under 8 teams of AFC Newbury and CSA 07 and a penalty shoot-out for all, hosted by Newbury FC and team members of Newbury Women FC will be there too, before they head off for their home game.

Lee McDougall from NCFG said *“this is a fantastic achievement and I thank all of the NCFG members and supporters who have committed so much time to this campaign over many years to protect this football ground. But this is just the start and we look forward to working with West Berkshire Council to bring a full football stadium back to Faraday Road”*

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