



Risk Assessment for Under 16s

After discussion by the Committee, it was agreed that the following be adopted for Under 16s.

Background

1. HLTC's courts are set within Harrow School's grounds and are not an enclosed area.
2. There is a lake near to the Pavilion.
3. The Pavilion is situated a distance from the courts.
4. There are public footpaths through the grounds and through the courts.

Having considered the risks and hazards, **it was agreed** to allow 16+ juniors to play tennis without supervision with the following rules:

1. Members (including juniors) are **not** permitted access to any of the School grounds other than the tennis courts while playing in HLTC tennis time.
2. Members are only permitted access to the tennis courts (other than the toilets) as below: -

As the Pavilion is situated a distance from the courts only the Sports Centre toilets may be used. Only when the Sports Centre is closed (sometimes in School holidays) may a Junior 16+ use the Pavilion toilets (the code being 2+5, 3, 1) but must walk straight there and back to the courts.

A decision was made to adopt the age of 16+ because of the following reasons: -

- HLTC's juniors of 16+ are deemed to be responsible youngsters
- Harrow School Security make regular surveillance visits around the school grounds including the tennis courts.
- Members (including Juniors of 16+) are provided with Security contact, Sports Centre and Welfare Officer and Safeguarding contact details on the Notice Board at the courts.
- The Sports Centre is open during most of HLTC's tennis time, so help is always available.
- Most juniors of 16+ have mobile phones so can call for assistance immediately
- Parents take full responsibility if juniors are unsupervised.

No juniors under the age of 16 are to be left unsupervised at the courts. However, during coaching sessions and camps, a junior over the age of 12 may visit the toilets at the Sports Centre unaccompanied but on approval of the Junior Coach and must return immediately to the courts on leaving the Sports Centre.

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