

Proposal welcomed by Jersey Sport shadow board chairman AUSTIN

High praise for Harvey's Sports Academy scheme

AN APPLICATION to build a state-of-the-art sports facility in St Peter has attracted unreserved positivity this week, with the head of Jersey's Secondary Schools Sports Association outlining the potential health benefits for Island youngsters.

Following the release of plans to open a sports academy on Jersey RFC grounds - led by the club's former director of rugby Ben Harvey - JSSSA president Chris Jones, a

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teacher at Les Quennevais School, believes plans to provide free access to school children can help boost awareness of obesity and well-being.

Backed by private sponsors, the Jersey Sports Academy will offer free Physical Education sessions to

secondary school pupils as well as subsidising access to Island clubs and associations.

'Obviously we can't access this type of equipment and knowledge within a normal PE environment because of costings, but this build-

ing looks like it will be outstanding,' said Jones.

'It can only be of benefit to elite athletes, and if schools can get reg-

ular access it will help us track progression through Key Stages 3 and 4. Students will get more knowledge

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Plans for the multi-million pound facility were submitted to the Planning Department last Wednesday