

Hello

I have moved to Mersea from Colchester in the last 18 months. I have played Padel tennis for 3 years now at Prested Hall and as one of the world's fastest growing sports it is great to see new courts and centres popping up over the UK. There is however big gaps in locations for courts - with the nearest being Prested, then Maldon, Chelmsford, Southend. I believe West Mersea would be a great location for a Padel club and the most natural fit for this would be alongside the existing Tennis Club. With Padel being such a social and accessible sport, it is great for diverse ages and abilities which would cater well for the community of Mersea Island. I am aware there are businesses that have investment funding to develop new Padel courts across the UK and also various funding options available from other sources such as LTA.

Do you know who might be the right person to discuss this further with?

Thank you and all the best

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Community Assets & Facilities Meeting on 24/06/22, item 22/006 iii.

To consider request for Padel tennis court

*Current participation in Padel is low, the Council will be happy to consider in due course when there is more interest.*

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Padel courts in the local area

Padel United in Maldon & Colchester:

<https://padeluniteduk.com/padel-united-maldon/>

<https://padeluniteduk.com/colchester/>

David Lloyd in Colchester:

<https://www.davidlloyd.co.uk/clubs/colchester/club-facilities/padel/>