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£1 million go-kart track gets the green light from Mitcham planners

Permission has been given for a new multi-level state of the art go-kart track to begin building in Mitcham. This will be TeamSport's 20th track across the UK and 5th in London.

Fun for everyone

All visitors to TeamSport Mitchams' state of the art multi-level track can expect an awesome time, whether you are a karting newbie, a seasoned pro or a cadet karter who is a budding Lewis Hamilton. Dominic Gaynor, Managing Director of TeamSport Karting said; "We are really excited to be opening a track in Mitcham. This area of South London is thriving, with so much to offer its' residents and visitors, it will be fantastic to now add the thrill of Indoor Karting to the list. The great location and our excellent value karting offers will ensure karting is accessible to everyone looking for an adrenaline fuelled, fun day out."

State of the Art venue

TeamSport Karting promises a circuit like no other. This unique venue will offer:

- Two, 400m multi-level tracks with a capacity of up to 16 karts
- Hair raising bends, adrenaline fuelled long straights and challenging ramps
- Spectator area, licensed Fuel Bar for drinks and food
- Professional race wear, full safety briefings and tuition
- Year-round karting for all, with karts for racers as young as eight years old
- Private conference facilities for corporate clients, private parties and events

Gaynor went on to comment that; "TeamSport Karting has a proven history of helping both the young and young at heart drivers get their first taste on track with the comfort and knowledge of having all the right safety measures and equipment to support them. You never know the next F1 Superstar could be from South London".

The planning

The application was submitted by Go Karting for Fun Ltd, trading as TeamSport, for a change of use of the current warehouse. The site was previously occupied by DP (Direct Mail) Ltd however the property became too large for their operation. The planners commented positively with regards to the change of use and significant investment in upgrading the building, in particular noting the greater community and economic benefits to the area and the employment opportunities.

Concerns were raised by some local residents about noise, but these were adequately addressed by the extensive noise attenuation measures that will be undertaken as part of TeamSport's fit out.

Subsequently, Mitcham council planners voted 8 to 1 in favour of accepting the Planning Officer recommendation for approval.

Job Opportunities

At all existing venues, TeamSport employ up to 40 people, of which a large number are 16-25 year olds with a significant proportion living in the local area. As such, TeamSport will work with The Skills Partnership to provide access to an NVQ scheme. This is a great opportunity for employees to gain relevant qualifications in areas such as customer service and management up to NVQ level 4. In addition, tuition is made available to any employees who have left education without basic literacy skills. TeamSport will therefore provide a number and range of local employment opportunities for Mitcham, skilled and non-skilled, and on the job training.

For further information about TeamSport Indoor Karting visit: <https://www.team-sport.co.uk>

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Notes to editors:

TeamSport Mitcham will be based at: , Unit 18, Mitcham Ind Est, Streatham Road, Mitcham. CR4 2AP.

Established in 1992, TeamSport currently has 17 tracks across the UK at: Birmingham, Bristol, Brighton, Cardiff, Crawley, Gosport, Southampton, four London tracks (at Acton, Edmonton, Docklands and Tower Bridge), Reading, Warrington, Liverpool, Farnborough, Nottingham and Leeds. In 2016 TeamSport is due to open its 18th track in Manchester Arena in October 2016 and its 19th track in Sheffield in early 2017 and its 20th track in Mitcham, London.

General editorial enquiries on TeamSport and its story

Managing Director, Dominic Gaynor is media friendly and available for comment and/or interview on TeamSport, the plans for the Mitcham venue and the karting/leisure industry.

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