Halesworth Campus Trustees were glued to East Suffolk Council's Cabinet meeting, broadcast on YouTube, on Tuesday night.

The ESC councillors were deciding whether to award the Campus sports project a further £500,000 (needed because of increased costs and improved pitches) for the all-weather pitch (3G) and full-sized rugby pitch - the key parts of Phase 1 of our plans.

THEY APPROVED THE MONEY! We are delighted and grateful. The conditions they have set are very helpful and supportive.

The first thing to happen will be the removal of the power cables and then the levelling of the ground for the 3G.

Thanks to the football and rugby clubs and of course ESC who have supported and worked hard to get this agreed. We look forward to working with them to make it all happen over the coming months. We will let everyone know the details of work once we have dates – look on the Campus website..

And now we can start planning for Phase 2 - the sports centre, gym, trim trail and much more. We hope everyone will get behind these much needed extra sports facilities for Halesworth and surrounding villages.