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Lights go on at Calne RFC

Calne Rugby Club players can now train and play in the darker winter months thanks to a £1,411 grant from The Hills Group.



Under the posts - from left to right - Club chairman Chris Austin, Group director Hills Waste Solutions Mike Webster and Community First grants officer Mary Hardwidge.

The six floodlights will illuminate the club's recreation ground and as club chairman Chris Austin commented: "We are very grateful to Hills for helping us purchase our fantastic new floodlights. Training in the darker months was challenging as the previous lighting was so poor and as a result we have seen a massive decline in the number of people attending training. The new lights will help us get more people playing rugby."

The funding has been made available through the Landfill Communities Fund (LCF) which is administered for Hills by Community First, the Rural Community Council for Wiltshire.

Mike Webster, group director Hills Waste Solutions, said: "Sporting clubs are a great way for people to get together to socialise and exercise. The floodlights will enable the Calne community to use the facilities to their full extent and will benefit the rugby in the long term by encouraging more people to get involved with the club."

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