

Club won't let it go to waste

WESTBURY Rugby Club are celebrating the £45,000 windfall they hope is the first step in driving their club on to the next level.

Westbury, who moved from Leighton Recreation Ground in 2010, received a grant to pay for a new sewage treatment plant from Hills construction and waste management group.

The funding boost comes from the Landfills Community Fund and was administered by government initiative Community First, which is paying out around £85 million to community projects across the country.

"It's hard to get excited about a sewage treatment plant but this will enable us to start building more changing rooms and more shower facilities at our ground," said

Rugby

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Westbury director Theron Bates.

"Hopefully this will be the catalyst that helps the club grow. We've got two mens teams, one ladies team and a junior section and if we want more sides, we're going to need more facilities.

"Building work should start in the next two to three months and everyone at the club wants to say thank you to Hills and Community First."

Westbury clinched their second win in succession in their penultimate game of the season by defeating Sherborne 2nd 10-0 in Dorset & Wilts One South.

A Sherborne offside offence gave Kieran McEntegart the opportunity to kick Westbury into the lead, but he then had to leave the field with a knee injury and was replaced by Greg Atkinson.

Atkinson wasted no time in getting involved and, following a break, he received an inside pass to touch down under the posts, converting himself.

Despite losing second row Chris Gillam to a sin-binning five minutes into the second half, they rode out the pressure to secure the victory.

● **BOTTOM** side Westbury 2nd were beaten 22-14 at their Melksham counterparts in Dorset & Wilts Two North.

The visitors trailed to two tries early on but pulled one back when Aaron Collins



Westbury RFC members celebrate their £45,000 grant to kick off works to build a new sewage system at their White Horse Country Park home. Holding the cheque are Mary Hardwidge from Community First, Mike Webster, group director of Hills, Theron Bates, director and company secretary at Westbury Rugby and Mike Hill, Hills chief executive, together with club officials and junior, ladies and senior players Photo:Trevor Porter (41874-4)

Thomas powered over and added the conversion.

Two more Melksham tries, one converted, wrapped up

victory, but Luke Hames responded with a converted try.