Changing Places takes Centre Court at Wimbledon

In July 2018, the gaze of the Tennis world was set firmly on England to welcome once more the world’s favourite lawn Grand Slam Tennis Tournament. It has also been the stage for Aveso’s latest Changing Places project, working alongside the All England Lawn Tennis Club to design, install and maintain Wimbledon’s first Changing Places toilet at Centre Court Wimbledon.

Wimbledon has been carving a path for inclusivity within Tennis for 13 years; wheelchair Tennis has been played on the grass at SW19 since 2005 when a doubles competition was first introduced, with last year being the first time a singles competition had been played. But now they’re focusing on inclusivity within their grounds, and serving a backhand to inaccessibility. The All England Tennis Club utilised Aveso’s knowledge and expertise to design, install and maintain their wonderful Changing Places facility.
The Changing Places toilet, situated amongst the refurbished Court 18 toilets, has been on the cards since late last year when Aveso met with the planning consultant to conceptualise the layout and design.

The bespoke splash of ‘Lawn’ green colour from the Padded Top of the Nivano Height Adjustable Changing Table is suitably in keeping with Wimbledon’s colour scheme. The OT200 Ceiling Hoist and Washbasin make up the other essential height adjustable equipment alongside the Geberit AquaClean Wash/Dry Toilet, meeting all the needs a disabled visitor might have to go to the loo safely and with dignity.

Following Changing Places installations at Manchester United, Manchester City, Chelsea, Tottenham, Arsenal Aveso has become the expert in advising, designing, installing and maintaining Changing Places in Stadiums.

Nick Kent (Co-Founder of Aveso) added “as well as Leisure Facilities, Tourism Attractions and Transport Hubs we are pleased to be helping Stadiums in the UK and indeed worldwide provide these vital facilities”.

The Campaign

Changing Places is a campaign on behalf of people who cannot use standard accessible toilets. This includes people with profound learning disabilities, their carers, as well as other disabled people. They need Changing Places toilets with space and the right equipment- including a height adjustable changing table and a ceiling hoist.

Aveso are the official sponsors and equipment manufacturers of the Changing Places Campaign. Aveso have installed Ceiling Hoists, Adjustable Sinks and Changing Tables in Changing Places projects throughout the country, from libraries to universities to schools to public spaces.

As the official manufacturers of the Changing Places campaign, we offer a unique insight into the specified equipment ensuring a project is fully compliant and meets all of the Changing Places specifications as set out in the BS8300:2018.

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