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Dear Brian,

Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above application. Sport England provides the following comments for your consideration.

The site is not considered to form part of, or constitute a playing field as defined The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (Statutory Instrument 2015 No. 595), therefore Sport England has considered this a non-statutory consultation.

It is understood that is a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) charging authority and as such, the proposed development is required to provide CIL contribution in accordance with the Councils adopted CIL Charging Schedule.

It is acknowledged that there is no requirement to identify where those CIL monies will be directed as part of the determination of any application. That said, Sport England would encourage the Council to consider the sporting needs arising from the development as well as the needs identified in its Infrastructure Delivery Plan (or similar) and direct those monies to deliver new and improved facilities for sport.

The absence of an objection to this application, in the context of the Town and Country Planning Act, cannot be taken as formal support or consent from Sport England or any National Governing Body of Sport to any related funding application, or as may be required by virtue of any pre-existing funding agreement.

Thank you once again for consulting Sport England. We would be grateful if you would advise us of the outcome of the application by forwarding a copy of the decision notice.

Yours sincerely,

Bob

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