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Sent: 30 November 2021 06:58
To: Catcheside, Emily - Communities
Subject: App Ref: R3.0138/21 - A linear site comprising a corridor between the A34 Milton Interchange and the B4015 north of Clifton Hampden - Sport England Ref: PA/21/SE/OCC/60166

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Dear Emily,

Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above planning application. The site is considered to constitute playing field, or land last used as playing field, as defined in The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (Statutory Instrument 2015 No. 595). As such Sport England is a statutory consultee.

Sport England has sought to consider the application in light of the National Planning Policy Framework (particularly Para. 97) and against its own playing fields policy. Unfortunately there is insufficient information to enable Sport England to adequately assess the proposal or to make a substantive response. Please therefore could the following information be provided as soon as possible:

- With reference to drawing number GEN_PD ACM ELS DGT_ZZ_ZZ_ZZ DR LV 0006 rev P03, Preliminary Landscape Masterplan sheet 6 of 19, it is clear there is a loss of a football pitch. This has not appear have been addressed or mitigated in the proposal. Can the applicants please confirm what mitigation package is being proposed to compensate for the loss of the playing field area/playing pitch?

Sport England's Playing Fields Policy and Guidance document, which includes the type of information required in order for us to evaluate a planning application against our policy, can be viewed via the below link:

https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/facilities-and-planning/planning-for-sport#playing_fields_policy (see Annex B)

Sport England's interim position on this proposal is to submit a **holding objection**. However we will happily review our position following the receipt of all the further information requested above. As I am currently unable to make a substantive response, in accordance with the Order referred to above, the 21 days for formally responding to the consultation will not commence until I have received all the information requested above.

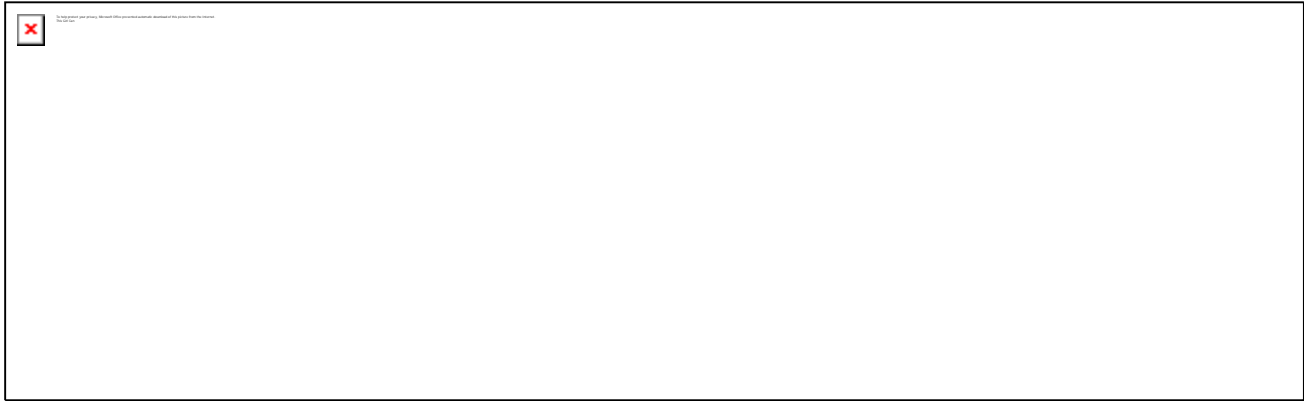
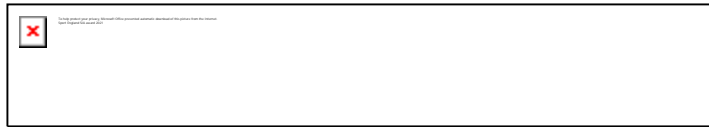
I would be happy to discuss the requested information further with the applicant and/or the local planning authority if necessary.

Yours sincerely,

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