

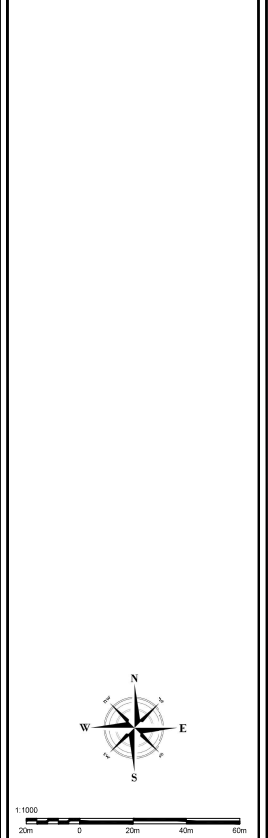
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SPORTING VALUE ASSESSMENT IN RELATION TO SPORT ENGLAND'S PLAYING FIELD POLICY EXCEPTIONS

- 1. What is the impact on the existing playing field land in terms of the number of pitches the site can accommodate and their capacity?**

There will be no impact on the numbers of pitches the site can accommodate. The locale and location of the proposed development will enable all existing natural turf pitches to be retained.
- 2. Will all existing users of the playing field land still be adequately accommodated within the site?**

All existing users will remain adequately accommodated by the sports facilities at the site, with additional users accommodated through the proposed development: a quantitative sports benefit assessment of Playing Pitch/Sports Facility Strategy?
- 3. What is the view of the sports national governing bodies whose playing pitch provision may be adversely affected?**

The football association (FA) highlighted a shortfall of artificial grass pitches (AGPs) in the local area and deemed that the proposed development would not complicate wider AGP proposals, subject to community availability and the level of floodlighting offered.

The rugby football union (RFU) stated that no new world rugby (WR) compliant AGPs were required in the local area, however they advised that rugby markings should be installed if the proposed development were to meet WR Regulation 22 standards.
- 4. Is the playing field land proposed for development of a particularly high quality or of particular importance to the development of sport in the local area?**

The development area is regularly unusable at times of inclement weather. It is not of a high quality or importance to sports in the local area. The proposed development could accommodate year-round use to increase the volume of sports participation.
- 5. Is there evidence that the proposed facility has been carefully located to minimize any adverse impact on the playing field land? For example, has an assessment of alternative sites been undertaken?**

The location was identified following a review of the site, minimizing playing field impacts whilst also ensuring safe access from existing school footpaths/landscape nearby. Further, the AGP development would be sited away from residential dwellings to avoid wider amenity impacts.

The school site is pivotal given the education-driven rationale for the development.
- 6. Will the proposed facility help to meet an identified sporting need, as set out in a needs assessment or Playing Pitch/Sports Facility Strategy?**

The development is focused on the school pupils and their curriculum. No community use is proposed out of school hours.
- 7. Does the proposed facility help to deliver the aims and strategies of the relevant sports national governing bodies and does the application have their support?**

TBC
- 8. Will the proposed facility duplicate any existing provision within the local catchment area?**

The proposed development would not duplicate existing sports provision within the site. In fact it would provide a greater range of sports surface type to accommodate increased use overall.

There are similar AGP facilities in the wider area, however the subject development is not deemed to compromise their users given the target users, pupils during school hours.
- 9. Does the proposed facility meet with Sport England's and the relevant sports national governing body design guidance?**

The proposed development accords with the latest design guidance as set out by the national governing bodies for football (Football Association) and rugby union (Rugby Football Union).
- 10. Will the proposed facility be available for use by the local community? Will this use be secured and managed on a formal basis, via, through the development and implementation of a community use agreement?**

No community use is proposed in relation to the subject facility.
- 11. Does the design of the proposed facility allow for adequate storage, changing provision and access to allow for community use?**

The design of the AGP and associated hard standing path will provide safe and clean access for the public. Storage and changing provisions TBC by the school.
- 12. Is the proposed facility supported by the existing and potential future users of the site, e.g. local sports clubs?**

We understand that no associated site users object to the proposed development.
- 13. Is there evidence that the proposed facility will be linked into the wider sports development network? Will a sports development plan be produced and implemented for the facility?**

TBC
- 14. For applications on school sites, is there evidence that the proposed facility will lead to an increase in PE in the curriculum and the development, or further development, of after school sports clubs and school clubs?**

It is deemed that the AGP development will benefit both the level of PE and the volume of sports participation, especially in inclement conditions with greater hours of use possible through the AGP contribution. This will positively impact the number of children and young adults participating in school-based sports and then onto local clubs.
- 15. Are appropriate arrangements proposed to ensure the long term maintenance of the facility?**

A maintenance package will be set out and agreed with the school as part of the proposals.
- 16. Is there evidence to suggest that the sporting benefits that will arise from the proposed development are unlikely to be obtained in any other way in the foreseeable future?**

With the intention of greatly enhancing the sports offering at the school site, particularly in periods of poor weather conditions, an artificial green with associated lighting is deemed the most feasible solution with no alternatives anticipated in the foreseeable future.
- 17. What is the sporting rationale behind the choice of surface proposed and what sports and activities is it envisaged the facility will accommodate?**

The type of surface proposed for the AGP primarily caters for football and rugby, however wider sports can be accommodated at recreational levels when met with appropriate footwear. The surrounding grass playing fields and hard court facilities will cater for wider sports. The surface will have a long pile with an underlying shockpad necessary to meet requirements.
- 18. How will the provision of the facility benefit the current sporting users of the playing field land (e.g. school and club use)?**

The provision will allow the school to access a high quality facility for football and rugby, provisions which are limited in both quality and quantity with the current site arrangement.
- 19. Will the provision of the facility help to enhance the quality of the remaining playing field land, e.g. by moving training activity off a grass playing pitch and onto the artificial surface?**

N/A as there will be no loss of sports provisions through the AGP development based on the illustrated layout. Existing provisions will be largely retained in quality, bettered in part through greater safety runoffs.
- 20. Is sports lighting proposed and is it likely that its use will be restricted due to the proximity of residential properties or sensitive areas (e.g. Green Belt or Conservation Areas)?**

LED lighting is proposed but it will not impact green belt land or conservation areas.
- 21. To ensure the long term benefit of the facility will a sinking fund be established to ensure the appropriate replacement of the artificial surface and/or sports lighting?**

A sinking fund will indeed be established in order to secure end of life material replacements.