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Subject: [EXTERNAL] ELP MCC - Reserved Matters Application

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Afternoon Dean,

As promised please find attached a copy of the note from Club Design regarding the latest Sport England objection and which can be included in our application and sent with your response back to Sport England.

As discussed the objection and both ours and Club Designs response can be broken down into the following salient points:

- The development including the relocation of the existing Cricket Club already has Planning Permission. Our latest application is for Reserved Matters only and the discharge of the condition which requires the details of the new Cricket Club facilities.
- The submitted details for the new Cricket Club facilities now incorporate all the additional facilities that were previously requested by Sport England I.E. cycle score and additional storage. They also include a possible football pitch on the outfield that the Cricket Club can provide as winter sport if they chose to (because the pitch is to be provided with a secondary drainage system that allows for winter sports). Whilst shown as a junior 5 aside pitch there is obviously room for a bigger pitch if the Cricket Club chose to provide one.
- Notwithstanding that the Planning Permission does not make provision for a new dedicated football pitch on the land to the east of the new Cricket Club, a pitch cannot be provided on their because of its current marshland and ecological status and value.
- The submitted details for the new Cricket Club include details for the practice nets and clearly state that their specification will be in accordance with the ECB standards.
- The submitted details for the new Cricket Club include an Agronomy Report that by PSD which includes a specification for the make-up of the ground for the new Cricket Club. PSD are an ECB approved Agronomist and will be part of the supervision and certification team for the completion of the new Cricket Club to ensure it is available for use.
- Planning Conditions are already in place which prevent ANY development of the existing Cricket Club until the new Cricket Club is completed and available for use so a detailed programme is not required, notwithstanding that a detailed programme cannot be provided until the RM consent is granted and the necessary tenders invited and a contractor appointed.

Hopefully that now provides you with all the necessary information and detail so that you can respond accordingly to Sport England and ask that they now formally withdraw their objection to the RM application, but let me know if you feel you need anything further.

Regards

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