

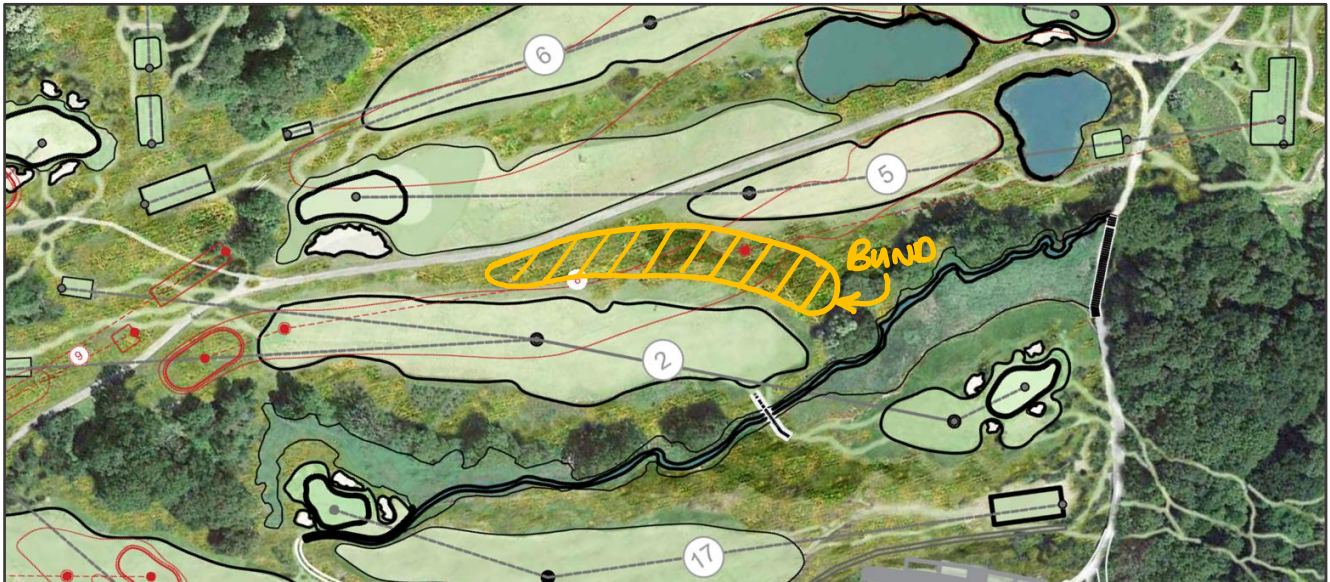
### Planning Application Statement

This statement is to accompany the information submitted under the planning application to install a Safety Bund on the current 8<sup>th</sup> hole of Boundary Lakes Golf Course at the Ageas Bowl. The purpose of this statement is to set out the development of the area and to explain why this bund is now required.

The 8<sup>th</sup> hole at Boundary Lakes golf course is in the centre of the site and is part of the planned works to revise the layout of the golf course to incorporate the new areas of Thorneydown to the South of this area.



As can be seen from the above images, the area which is currently being used as the 8<sup>th</sup> hole is being revised to create two new holes which will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole and the 5<sup>th</sup> hole in the new course layout, incorporating the newly developed Thorneydown area of the site. These below image shows the proposed layout in this area.



This application proposes that a bund is installed between the fairways of these holes to create separation between them. Separation is essential here as the two holes play towards each other and this area will be where golfers are driving toward and so balls are moving at high speeds. The bund is therefore an essential safety feature to make sure the risk of balls crossing between the holes is mitigated.

As the Ecologist's statement points out, the area that the bund is proposed to go onto is already maintained turf, images of the current area are below, looking south.





User safety is of paramount importance to the team at Boundary Lakes and the Ageas Bowl. Installing this bund will allow users of the golf course to enjoy the facility whilst ensuring that any risks to their safety are minimised. As well as ensuring the safety of the users, it will also present an opportunity to improve the biodiversity in the area, as set out in the landscape plan & Ecologist's statement.