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Planning reference: F/22/94174

Site location: FAIR OAK SPORTS PAVILION, PAVILION CLOSE, FAIR OAK,
EASTLEIGH, SO50 7PS

Proposals: Conversion of the existing playing field to accommodate 2.no football pitches and 2.no cricket pitches with the loss of 1.no football pitch. Erection of a single-storey cricket score-box & storage cabin. Erection of cricket nets. Extension to an existing culvert. Associated landscaping and footpath upgrade.

Response: No objection

Introduction

The Hampshire County Council's Countryside Service ('the Service') responded on 14 June 2023 to a consultation on this application with a holding objection pending further information. Harry Lee of Eastleigh Borough Council has sent two emails dated 15 June 2023 providing further detail on the proposed drainage the subject of the Service's holding objection.

Comment

It has been explained that the drainage design as originally supplied omitted to include a further drainage pipe west of the playing field and proposing to outfall water south into an existing ditch, which itself carries water away to the south. Subject to that amendment in any approved plans, this reassures the Service that Fair Oak and Horton Heath Public Footpath 1b will not be undermined by the proposed drainage system revision at the site. The Service, therefore, withdraws its holding objection and raises no objection to the proposal.

The Service would add, though noting it is not providing engineering advice, its observation that two existing 160mm collector drains meet with their outfall directed through a single 150mm pipe. This suggests either water will 'back up' beneath the playing fields as it is unable to flow out as quick as collected or will result in increased outflow pressure that

could damage either the pipe or land close to the outfall; or both. These are not issues for the Service to consider or be further involved with but the Applicant may wish to consider them.

Yours sincerely,

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On behalf of Hampshire Countryside Service - Countryside Planning

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