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Application	CS/23/94690
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APPLICATION NUMBER: CS/23/94690

DESCRIPTION: HCC Consultation: Temporary use of portable sports pitch lights for a period of 18 months to facilitate evening community use of the sports pitch at The Crescent County Junior And Infant School

SITE ADDRESS: THE CRESCENT COUNTY JUNIOR AND INFANT SCHOOL, TOYNBEE ROAD, EASTLEIGH, SO50 9DH

Eastleigh Borough Council previously provided comments (8 March 2023) on the originally submitted application. Following the receipt of additional information, Eastleigh Borough Council would advise the following:

Eastleigh Borough Council would reiterate their general support in principle to the proposals, using the facilities outside of school hours and being opened to the wider community, however this should be respectful and fully consider any potential adverse impact upon neighbouring amenities. The Borough Council still has concerns with regard to ecology matters, however the Council primarily has concerns with regard to the impact upon neighbouring amenities.

Assessment:

The proposal has gone from 6 lights to 16, which appear to be the same spec (6500K and 3.6m column height). From the information provided, it is understood that they can put on diffusers to stop glare but otherwise cannot adjust them (horizontal light spill) or attach baffles. Will there be 10 more of these lights? It would be suggested to use more appropriate lights, which are adjustable and with a lower colour temperature.

The lux level plan shows that there is no light spill into adjacent habitats at 1m elevation which implies that there also is no light spill at higher elevations (although that's not always the case. The photos from a resident most definitely showed light spill).

The applicant has also not demonstrated compliance with the requirement (Institution of Lighting Professionals Guidance Note 1 for obtrusive light) and says that it can adjust the lighting spread because these are movable lights. The applicant needs a

professional lighting engineer to advise on the type of lights to use and to guide how they will be deployed to comply with guidance.

If the County Council are looking to approve the planning application, Eastleigh Borough Council's Ecologist has requested the following:

- *There must not be any time extensions over the 18 months – this is quite a long temporary time period already.*
- *A replacement more appropriate/ permanent scheme which meets our requirements (lower colour temperature and no light spill – demonstrated at periodic heights – not just at 1m above ground level) must be in place by then (if they still require lighting).*
- *Lights must go off at 9pm as they have stated.*
- *Diffusers to stop glare must be installed.*
- *If there is light spill into adjacent habitats (and residents' properties) then they must have bespoke shades fitted.*

Conclusion:

The additional information has reinforced the original concerns, whereby Eastleigh Borough Council would raise a holding objection. The Borough Council would, however, be happy to review any additional information, and discuss and agree the necessary measures to overcome the issues raised.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Grandfield', written in a cursive style.

Andy Grandfield
Executive Head for Planning and Economy