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For attention of Mr Chapman

Dear Sirs

**Re: F/25/100191 At EASTLEIGH FOOTBALL CLUB, TEN ACRES,
STONEHAM LANE, EASTLEIGH, SO50 9HT**

Construction of seven covered Padel tennis courts, each measuring 20m x 10m which are enclosed by metal posts in-filled with clear toughened glazing and metal open mesh panels.

In regard to application F/25/100191, having reviewed the information contained within the application pack, a holding objection would be made against the proposals, subject to additional information being received.

PARKING:

Whilst the quantum of parking essentially reverts to EBC as Local Parking Authority, it is noted that the application pack states that the courts will be located on an area of 'unused hardstanding', and that no parking will be lost.

However, it is the understanding of the highway authority that the area is actually utilised for matchday parking, and has a history of being utilised for a park and ride facility for local businesses. This is essentially outlined in the application that allowed the conversion of a grassed area to a hardstanding car park – application F/17/82187.

As such, there are concerns that the loss of 80 vehicle parking spaces on site which are utilised on match days has the potential to increase off-site parking that currently occurs primarily in the adjacent Stoneham Park Housing estate, and could also have further impacts with parking occurring at either the FA Football facility further along Stoneham Lane (which could result in parking

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shortages there) or even other locations such as Trojans, though it is understood that this is private.

Given the above, it would be requested that parking data is produced which demonstrates that contrary to historic applications, the existing quantum of parking on-site is not required, and that spare capacity of over 80 parking spaces (the number to be lost) can be accommodated without off-site parking occurring. This would likely require parking count surveys on match days, as well as interview surveys of supporters arriving by foot to ascertain that they haven't parked off-site due to on-site shortfalls.

It should further be noted that once the roads of Stoneham Park are adopted by HCC as Local Highway Authority, it is likely that extensive Traffic Regulation Orders will be put in place, which will further restrict off-site parking, potentially necessitating the need for additional on-site parking to be required.

FLOODLIGHTING:

Whilst it is acknowledged that various floodlights are already located along Stoneham Lane, further information is required to demonstrate how the proposed floodlighting will not impact on visibility or dazzle passing highway users.

This information should include elements such as luminance levels; angle of lighting so that light sources are not visible from the highway; and light spill diagrams which demonstrate that light spill will not reach the public highway.

If this information can be provided, then a further review can be undertaken accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

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