

From: David Coote [mailto:David.Coote@manchesterfa.com]

Sent: 24 February 2016 14:12

To: sportengland.org>; <@oldham.gov.uk>;

Cc: @sportengland.org'

Subject: RE: Saddleworth School

Hi ,

Further to my email this morning, I have now had the opportunity to gain more detail from Neil.

NEIL has given verbal assurance that any AGP will meet FA specifications, as it is Oldham Council who are providing the AGP to the proposed site for Saddleworth School. I have this afternoon sent across details of the AGP Framework (attached).

In direct response to your question below, Manchester CFA would expect the AGP to accord with FA design guidance, and I am assured that the AGP on the application will comply with this.

Kind regards,
David

From: richard.fordham@sportengland.org

Sent: 24 February 2016 15:52

To: Neil.Consterdine @oldham.gov.uk

Cc:

Subject: FW: Saddleworth School

Hello

Further to David Coote's email below, please could you arrange for the applicant to submit a revised plan showing the AGP that accords with the FA guidance along with the grass pitch meeting U16 provision to FA specification.

The plans would have to be submitted as an amendment to the current planning application. Subject to the plans being acceptable, Sport England would be in a position to consider withdrawing its objection to the application.

Regards

Richard Fordham

Planning Manager

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From: Neil.Consterdine @oldham.gov.uk

Sent: 24 February 2016 16:32

To: Richard.Fordham@sportengland.org

Cc: David.Coote@manchesterfa.com
Subject: RE: Saddleworth School

Sport England has stated that it is satisfied that the site of the proposed sport facilities will be equal in functional terms to the site being lost. The plans already submitted demonstrate that the grass pitch will accommodate under 16 football to the right spec. In addition the size of **the AGP will also meet Mini soccer provision**. This is also referenced back to us in your letter including meeting the specification.

Further, the FA have now confirmed that that the proposed AGP will be an improvement on the existing and are satisfied that the AGP will accord with the FA design guidance. **Your objection was that the proposed AGP does not accord with the FA design guidance. The FA are happy that it does.**

A condition attached to a planning consent to be agreed with the LPA prior to the commencement of work will state:-

Development of the artificial grass pitch shall not commence until full details of the design and layout of the artificial grass pitch, to be in accordance with current Sport England / FA Guidelines (including pitch layout / line markings, fencing, arrangements for storage of goals, proposed performance quality standard, and proposed surface type) have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The artificial grass pitch shall be constructed in accordance with the approved details.

The Council now considers that the clarifications referenced in the letter dated 16th February 2016 have now been proved and there is no longer any grounds for Sport England to retain any objection to the proposal. I therefore kindly request that Sport England now withdraw its objection.

Thanks

Neil

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From: **Neil.Consterdine@oldham.gov.uk**
Sent: 25 February 2016 11:24
To: Richard.Fordham@sportengland.org
Cc:
Subject: RE: Saddleworth School
Importance: High

Good Morning Richard,

Please can you confirm you have received the email below and you will be able to act on this today. **Specifically as it is planning committee this evening.**

If you are not able to deal with this can I ask how I am able to escalate and who I need to speak to.

Your support is appreciated.

Best regards

Neil

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From: Richard.Fordham@sportengland.org

Sent: 25 February 2016 11:43

To: Neil.Consterdine @oldham.gov.uk

Cc:

Subject: RE: Saddleworth School

Hello

Thank you for your email.

I note on the Council's website that this planning application was registered as valid on 28 July 2015. It wasn't until the 21 January 2016 (some six months later) that Sport England was consulted – see screen shot below.

I have a large geographical patch: all of Greater Manchester and all of North Yorkshire and as you will appreciate numerous consultations and commitments, including commitments today.

Had the Council consulted Sport England last year when they declared the application valid, then any issues could have been resolved many months ago.

I shall try to look at the consultation today, however I think you should be conscious of the six month time delay that it took the Council to consult Sport England.

Regards

Richard

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From: Neil.Consterdine @oldham.gov.uk
Sent: 25 February 2016 12:12
To: Richard.Fordham@sportengland.org
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Subject: RE: Saddleworth School

Firstly I really do appreciate your time and work you have done on this. I personally do not envy the fact you have such a large geographical area and can appreciate the many conflicting demands on your time. As by way of some context I believe the full application wasn't available until sometime after July and I also understand had been involved. I am sure we as an organisation have some learning from all of this which we will pick up.

I would be extremely appreciative now we have had further dialogue with yourself and indeed the FA being happy if you could withdraw your objection today. Perhaps this could be a follow up letter from your original saying following further consultation and discussion with the FA Sport England or an amended original letter.

Once again I am really conscious of your work load but would be appreciative of your time to resolve this.

Best regards

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From: Richard.Fordham@sportengland.org
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Subject: Application PA/337301/15 Saddleworth School
Attachments: 20160225 Saddleworth School NS OW RF.pdf

Hello

Please find attached Sport England's letter withdrawing the objection subject to planning conditions.

Regards

Richard Fordham
Planning Manager

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