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Sent: 16 April 2023 16:41
To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/23/0406

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 16/04/2023 4:41 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The West of Ashington C of E School Park Lane Ashington West Sussex
Proposal:	Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 180 dwellings, sports pavilion, sport pitches and allotments; with associated access, landscaping, open space and infrastructure.
Case Officer:	Nicola Pettifer

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Customer Details

Address:	20 The Sands Ashington
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Other
Comments:	On behalf of Ashington Football Club. AFC continue to be the largest sporting club within the village. We support further playing areas within the community which should include a Full size 3G football pitch, Full size grass pitch and sports pavilion. However, concern has been raised over the placement of said pitches and the distance between the shared amenities including welfare and parking. It would be more prudent to place both pitches next to each other, sharing facilities and parking. The plan shows twenty car parking spaces for the sports fields. This is questionable whether the number of spaces would support the participants using the field at one given time. A concern of neighborhood disputes over parking on Saturday and Sundays will be raised if insufficient parking spaces cause concern within the area. We also raise the concern where the grass pitch is within a flood area and built on an area of archaeological interest, restricting the need for regular maintenance of the grounds.

There are no provisions for placement of external storage areas for holding sporting equipment in a safe, secure area. There are no provisions for goals and equipment to be held on site.

The Sports Pavilion is not accessible from any external access point for welfare use i.e. toilets. From a safeguarding point of view the plan is not viable for purpose. The sports Pavilion needs to accommodate teams and officials for both pitches if being used at the same time for both home and away teams. The size and space does not offer this requirement. Toilets require to be separated for both Male and Female use. Showers need to be individual cubicles, with doors.

AFC are proud to continue to be an FA Accredited Football club and such demands for facilitating a safe environment for children is key to our future. We continue to offer both Male, Female and Transgender children of age groups between Under 6 through to Under 16's and in doing so, feel that such future development plans should support the requirements as legislated by the FA for future ambition and success in supporting the local community.

Kind regards