From:
To:
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Subject: Re: RE: NCFG Planning application
Date: Monday, May 11, 2020 8:23:07 AM

I am available for a call on Wednesday about 11:00, please let me know if you are available at that time.

Many Thanks



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On Sun 10 Mav at 3:50 PM wrote:
Hi again J

We have recently received a response from West Berks Council under a FOI request: Please can you help us understand why Bill Bagnell has stated that the FA are not interested in the Faraday Road site?



RE: RE: Football Ground Notification of Appeal - 18/00603 and 18/00604 Newbury Football Club Thanks for getting straight back. - this could be a simple case of Sport England at senior level speaking to Sport England at local level to lift the objection now that we know the FA are not interested in the Faraday road site?

Thanks,

It would be good to have a phone call for a quick catch up. Please can you advise me when we could arrange this?

Thanks and best regards



On behalf of Newbury Community Football Group

Can you please reply to my email below

Thank-you



Hi

West Berks have released a copy of the PPS

It states that "The site will be in the Newbury or Thatcham catchment, no more than 20 minutes' drive time away from Faraday road"

Can you please confirm if you agreed with this wording, with respect to the 20 minutes' drive time and the Thatcham catchment statements

Thank-you



Subject: RE: NCFG Planning application

An update for you both – the planning application was passed - see the press release below.

This is a small bit of good news. Our goal remains the same, which is to get the Faraday

Road Ground re-opened (it will soon be 2 years since a perfectly good Step 5 facility was prematurely and unnecessarily closed) and to keep it open and used by the community until either a new facility is provided and opened (3G - Step 5/6) at either a suitable new location or at the existing Faraday Road location. We are sure that both the FA and Sport England would concur with this and fully support this objective.

Best regards



West Berks Council votes unanimously to support the redevelopment of new football stadium in Faraday Road

West Berks Council last night voted unanimously to support 2 planning applications submitted by Newbury Community Football Group (NCFG) to redevelop the existing football ground to a new state of-the-art Football Stadium, with multiple 3G pitches, a new Club House and stands.

from NCFG who spoke to the at Planning Committee meeting on Wednesday evening said "we are delighted to have received the full and unanimous support of West Berks Council for both of our planning applications. We'd also like to thank the 2,000 people who signed the petition for the applications, this is a huge response for a town the size of Newbury and highlights the community demand for improved sporting facilities in the area, particularly for children"

The support for the Planning Application is another key success for the volunteer-run campaign group NCFG, who were instrumental in persuading the Council to extend the lease for Newbury FC by 2 years in 2016 and successfully applied to get the football ground protected status as an "Asset of Community Value"

went on to say "while the long term plans for development are progressed we still need to focus on getting the ground re-opened to the community in the intervening period. With a modest investment and some temporary changing rooms, the Community Football Ground in Faraday Road could be opened to play 11-a-side football again within a couple of months"

The ground was controversially closed by the Council in June 2018 when they evicted the incumbent men's team and the ground has been left to deteriorate into an unusable state. The stand and perimeter fencing have been removed and the club house and changing room buildings have not been maintained.

While Council support was given, it will only form a recommendation to the Planning Appeal Inspectorate, who will make the final decision. This was after NCFG submitted an "appeal for non-determination" in November 2019 after their planning applications had still not been processed by West Berks Council despite being originally submitted in March 2018

Newbury Community Football Group (NCFG)

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## Notes for Editors

- 1. Newbury Community Football Group was formed in 2016 to represent the views and needs of Newbury's local footballing community.
- 2. NCFG passionately believes that football, our national sport inspires young people and provides a focus for personal and physical development from early years into adulthood.
- 3. The footballing community of Newbury consists of hundreds of participants from the ages of 6 for boys and girls to senior football for both men and ladies teams
- 4. Sport is at the centre of national and local strategies to enhance health and wellbeing.
- 5. One of NCFG's key objectives is ensure Newbury retains a locally accessible properly equipped football ground that can be used by the whole community.
- 6. NCFG is an inclusive voluntary organisation that comprises representatives from the full local community including:
- o AFC Newbury Boys and Girls,
- o Newbury Ladies,
- o Newbury District Primary Schools Football Association,
- o Pro-cision Sports



A belated happy new year to you both.

Please see the attached letters advising that the NCFG planning application for a 3G facility at Faraday Road will be going to the Western Area Planning Committee on 15 January 2020

Best regards

