

Lydia Mather  
West Berkshire Council  
Avonbank House  
West Street  
NEWBURY  
RG14 5LD

10 June 2015

Our Ref: SE/WB/2015/39153/S

Dear Lydia,

**App Ref:** 15/00366/FUL  
**Site:** Triangle Field, Priory Road, Hungerford, RG17 0AR  
**Proposal:** Proposed instillation of 4x storage units on triangle field, hungerford. Change of use of land from recreational and amenity to storage for theatrical equipment.

Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above application. I write further to our letter of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015. Following the additional information provided by the Applicant I have reconsulted the Rugby Football Union (RFU) and the Football Association (FA) who have been in contact with the sports clubs that use the site.

In our previous correspondence, Sport England asked the Applicant to confirm how the storage units will be accommodated alongside the requirement of current sports users for car parking. In response the Applicant has produced Drawing No. 05C (Ref: CHTF.0115/5) which shows additional parking and the location of the containers. The RFU and the FA have confirmed that the revised plan is acceptable.

Sport England is now satisfied that the needs of the sports users have been considered and concludes that the proposed development meets exception 3 of our policy which states;

*'The proposed development affects only land incapable of forming, or forming part of, a playing pitch, and does not result in the loss of or inability to make use of any playing pitch (including the maintenance of adequate safety margins), a reduction in the size of the playing areas of any playing pitch or the loss of any other sporting/ancillary facilities on the site.'*

This being the case, Sport England does not wish to raise an objection to this application, **subject** to the following condition being attached to the decision notice (if the Council are minded to approve the application):

*'The development hereby permitted shall not be constructed other than in accordance with the layout set out in Drawing No 05C (Ref: CHTF.0115/5)'*

If you wish to amend the wording of the conditions or use another mechanism in lieu of the condition, please discuss the details with the undersigned. Sport England does not object to amendments to conditions, provided they achieve the same outcome and we are involved in any amendments.

Reason: To ensure the development is fit for purpose and sustainable and to accord with Development Plan Policy \*\*.'

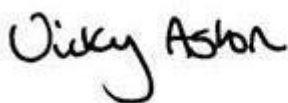
If your Authority decides not to attach the above condition, Sport England would wish to lodge a statutory objection to this application.

Should your Authority be minded to approve this application without the above condition(s), then in accordance with The Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2009 and National Planning Policy Guidance, the application should be referred to the National Planning Casework Unit.

The absence of an objection to this application in the context of the Town and Country Planning Acts, does not in any way commit Sport England's or any National Governing Body of Sport's support for any related application for grants funding.

If you would like any further information or advice please contact the undersigned at the address below.

Yours sincerely



**Vicky Aston**  
Planning Manager

Tel: 020 7273 1912

Email: [Vicky.Aston@sportengland.org](mailto:Vicky.Aston@sportengland.org)