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Please find below Sport England's comments on the publication local plan

Para 2.18 – note that it is intended to update the Indoor Sports Facility in 2023. Sport England would request details of the timetable for this work.

Policy 1 – 20 minute neighbourhood – support, consistent with Sport England's Active Design Guidance

Site Allocation 10 – support reference in vision to retention or replacement of playing fields and sports facilities to equal or better standard

Site Allocation 11 – welcome reference in vision to protect and upgrade the playing field including installation of a new 3G playing pitch and multi-use of sports facilities. The PPS action plan and strategy does not identify this site for a 3G however if it is appropriate, there is a significant requirement for additional full sized 3Gs in the borough..

Site Allocation 12 – should be made clearer in vision that any development proposals should not impact on the stadium area including stand capacity and pitch.

Site Allocation 13 – could be made clearer in vision that any development proposals should not impact on the stadium area including stand capacity and pitch.

Site Allocation 21 – support reference to retaining and where possible upgrading of playing fields including provision of ancillary facilities such as changing to support their use.

Site Allocation 34 – support vision retention / improvement of playing field

Site Allocation 35 – support retention / reprovision of play field in vision

Policy 37 – Support this policy and consistency of wording with National policy and the London Plan. Point 8, there may be instances where on-site provision is not feasible, practicable **or appropriate**. Sport England supports the use of CUAs and financial contributions. It would be useful to identify the basis on which contributions will be sought, e.g. through the use of Sport England's Playing Pitch Calculator to which the Council can gain access on request to us.

Policy 43 – Sport England supports this policy that considers the positive benefits of sports lighting. Reference to Sport England's Guidance is welcomed.

Policy 47 – Sport England supports this policy.

Policy 49 – Sport England supports this policy. Appendix 2 marketing requirements should expressly exclude sport and recreation facilities that are to be assessed against the Council’s evidence base for sport and the NPPF (para 24.13).

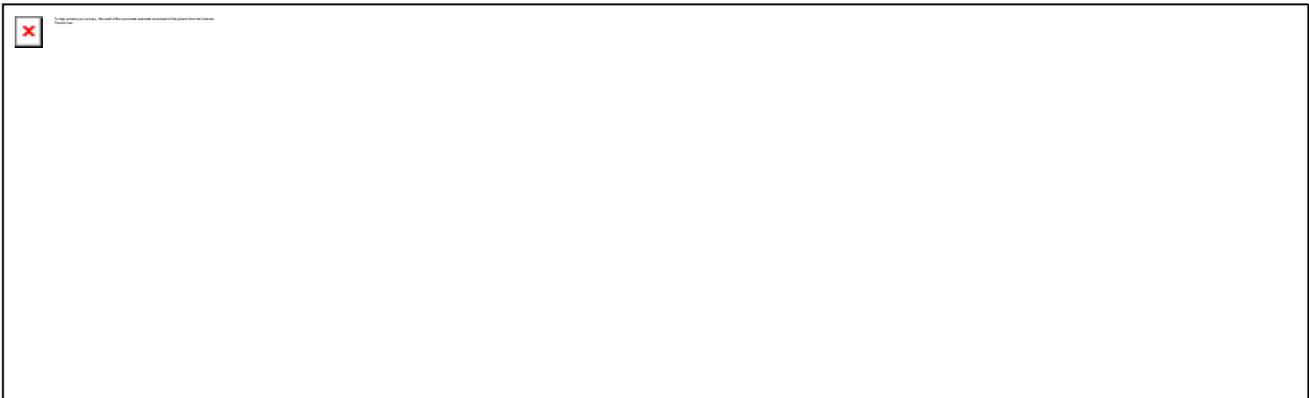
Policy 51 – Sport England supports this policy that is consistent with Sport England’s own Active Design guidance. We would recommend that a reference to that guidance that has been recently updated is included within the supporting text.

Yours Faithfully,

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