DESIGN AND ACCESS STATEMENT

CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 3G SYNTHETIC FOOTBALL PITCH

at Ysgol Bryn Alyn, Wrexham

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Sports Labs Ltd have been appointed on behalf of **Wrexham County Borough Council (in partnership with Cymru Football Foundation)** to apply for planning permission for the construction of a new 3G synthetic football complete with fencing and floodlighting, on an existing natural grass playing field.

1.2 **The existing natural grass playing field will be upgraded and redeveloped** to a new 3G synthetic football pitch consisting of the playing surface surrounded by perimeter fencing enhanced by a floodlighting system.

1.3 In order to assist in the approval of planning permission and the development of the proposed project, this document shall outline the scope of works and considerations within the local environs, to facility users and residents.

1.4 This statement shall discuss design and access considerations regarding layout and further considerations in relation to the wider scheme.

1.5 Site Address

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2 PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

2.1 The Design and Access Statement has been compiled as a short document to provide detail of the build proposals to accompany the planning application submission.

2.2 The design and access statement is a short report accompanying and supporting a planning application to illustrate the process that has led to the development proposal, and to explain the proposal in a structured way. The level of detail required in a design and access statement depends on the scale and complexity of the application, and the length of the statement varies accordingly. Statements must be proportionate to the complexity of the application but need not be long.

3 MULTI-SPORT GRASSROOTS FACILITIES PROGRAMME

3.1 The Multi-Sport Grassroots Facilities Programme is investing £123 million in 2024/25 to support facilities across the whole of the UK.

3.2 This programme provides funding to make essential facility improvements, so that communities have high-quality pitches to play on, building on investment from previous years. This is a clear demonstration of the government's commitment to providing people across the United Kingdom with opportunities to get active.

3.3 £123 million has been committed in the financial year 2024 to 2025, to a range of projects that aim to deliver improved facilities in deprived areas, support multi-sport use and increase participation among currently under-represented groups. Increasing participation in under-represented groups focuses primarily on women and girls, disabled players and those in deprived areas.

3.4 For additional information on this scheme see the following link to the Multi-Sport Grassroots Facilities Programme website - Multi-Sport Grassroots Facilities Programme projects: 2024 to 2025 - GOV.UK

4 DESIGN OVERVIEW

4.1 Facility Purpose

4.1.1 The client is looking redevelop the existing natural grass playing field and construct a new 3G synthetic football pitch consisting of the playing surface surrounded by perimeter fencing enhanced by a floodlighting system, and other notable minor works. This is to provide an exciting and enticing all-weather facility for football and multi-sport use for the local community. This proposed redevelopment is intended to encourage more physical activity, primarily through football but extending to other sports and casual play.

4.2 Benefits of the Development

4.2.1 The proposed new 3G pitch construction, enhanced by a new LED floodlighting system will facilitate enhanced use for the local community, presenting a much-improved playing facility which will be beneficial to the wider and local community, with a new upgraded playing surface for the community to use during match days and training. It will offer increased opportunities for sport to be played during times of year when bad weather would deem the natural grass surface unplayable or dangerous to the player.

4.2.2 The new facility will also facilitate use during evenings and weekends, providing a high-quality space to the wider community by the inclusion of floodlighting. There are an insufficient number of similar facilities within the local area, and this development would provide a space for the community to engage in sport year-round.

4.3 Site Description

4.3.1 The development area is located with the grounds of Ysgol Bryn Alyn High School.

4.3.2 The existing site outlined for the development area is an existing natural grass playing field, only used when ground conditions determined by weather are suitable. There is evidence of existing line markings for football use.

4.3.3 The current natural grass area is basic and simple in nature, enclosed by fencing along three sides and a public footpath to the west with street lighting. There will not be any changes to the existing fencing and footpath infrastructure during the works.



Figure 1 - Existing Natural Grass Playing Field

4.4 Site Levels/Arrangement

4.4.1 The maximum acceptable gradient requirement for slope is of no more than 1 % in any direction with a recommendation of 0.5%.

4.4.2 A topographical survey was carried out within the location of the proposed development area of the new full-size pitch. There is a consistent fall from the north-west corner falling to the south-east, with a height difference of approximately 2.5m.

4.4.3 The proposed new pitch will be designed in a way to maintain the existing direction of fall, minimising the required earthworks during the design and construction stage.

4.5 Site Constraints

4.5.1 The application site is free from unmanageable land characteristics and avoids inappropriate impacts to sensitive areas.

4.5.2 The proposed construction access route is from a section of the school car park located to the southeast of the development area. The development area will be accessed through an existing double gate located on the school perimeter fence. Protection measures will need to be introduced to ensure reinstatement of the existing grass, where required.

4.6 Pitch Construction – Synthetic Pitch Works

4.6.1 Subbase/Base Layer

- The pitch construction shall consist of the excavation of the existing grassland area to a depth of approximately 300mm to new pitch formation (1:100 maximum gradient) inc. installation of a soil separator membrane and single layer tri-axial geogrid.

- Installation of 300mm of modified type 1 stone overlayed by 50mm open textured asphalt engineered base layer.

4.6.2 Shockpad

- A performance pre-fabricated shockpad shall be laid over the new engineered base layer. The shockpad provides a solid platform on which the synthetic turf shall be laid while providing further shock absorption properties to prolong the life of the synthetic system, enhanced cushioning, and improved performance.

4.6.3 Synthetic Turf System

- Minimum 50mm 3G synthetic turf system is proposed, filled with performance SBR and sand to provide the required performance characteristics. This shall provide a system suitable for full-size football to FIFA Quality and multisport use, in accordance with BS EN 15330-1.

- An optional 3G synthetic turf system will be considered consisting of a system with a natural alternative infill as opposed to SBR rubber. This should be considered as future legislation may prohibit using SBR due to its designation as a microplastic.



Figure 2 – Typical 3G Synthetic Turf System

4.7 Perimeter Fencing

4.7.1 The new pitch will be surrounded by perimeter ball stop fencing at 3m to the surrounds will comprise polyester powder coasted RAL6005 Moss Green with a section behind the goals rising to 5m and coloured White (RAL 9016 – White), all supported with an intermediate post system and entrance gates of matching colour.

4.7.2 Double gates will allow maintenance access.

4.7.3 Fence panels would be insulated from the posts by using neoprene washers fitted to every fence post/ mesh fixing point to aid noise reduction and acoustic attenuation by reducing rattle and vibration from ball impacts.

4.8 Equipment

4.8.1 The pitch will include additional equipment/features to enhance the useability and experience of the development. This will include –

(1) Goals – 1no. set of full size goals, and 3no. sets of 7-a-side goals for crossfield play.

(2) Waste Bins – For spectators located out with the playing area within a resurfaced spectator zone.

(3) Detox Unit – Installed at all exits from the pitch to prevent migration of infill materials.

(4) Kickboards – Installed to the full pitch perimeter to prevent migration of infill materials.

4.9 SuDS Design & Drainage Calculations

4.9.1 Please see the Drainage Strategy report which has been included as part of this planning application. This report details all drainage considerations and includes detailed design calculations.

4.9.2 It is proposed that the stone subbase will be allowed to attenuate surface water, with all excess being stored in a new stone filled attenuation system, sized at 35.1m x 16.1m x 1.5m, which will then outfall to the existing surface water network onsite, restricted to the greenfield runoff rate of 3.7l/s.

5 FLOODLIGHTING DESIGN

5.1 Floodlighting System

5.1.1 The proposed floodlighting system shall consist of a 6-column system, each 15m in height, with all supporting LED lighting fixtures. Please refer to supporting drawings for full details. There are neighbouring residential properties to the **west and north**, so it is vitally important that the system is carefully designed to minimise the lux levels spill.

5.1.2 It is proposed for the new floodlighting system to utilise **the power available main school building.**

5.1.3 Light spill levels from the new floodlighting system were required to be less than 10 Lux at the site boundary. As shown in the floodlighting layout drawing provided.

5.2 Foundation Design

5.2.1 One consideration with the floodlight design is the location of the foundations. From the information gathered from the ground investigation report, the soils found on site were found to have varying structural capabilities. This will be factored into the foundation design of the columns to ensure they are fully compliant.

5.2.2 The design of the bases shall be in line with the encountered ground conditions, and this will be structurally design to comply usually accompanied with a Structural Engineers Report (SER).

5.3 Proposed Lighting System

5.3.1 The proposed floodlighting system has been designed to meet the performance requirements of FIFA Quality, as per the FIFA Quality Manual 2015. This requires the system to meet the following

(1) Average Lux Levels – 200lux

(2) Uniformity across Area – 0.65

5.3.2 The floodlights proposed will feature flat style optics designed to reduce upward waste light and overspill.

5.3.3 The floodlight uses the latest LED technology and features an internal louvre system to shield the LED Optics. The internal louvre system maintains a flat optical system providing uniform illuminance over the pitch whilst cutting off obtrusive light towards properties and upwards into the sky.

5.3.4 Light containment is excellent with spill light being cut off sharply as it reaches the site boundary

5.3.5 The proposals fully comply with the recommendations of the ILP 'Guidance notes for the reduction of obtrusive light' for an environmental zone E3 and would be suitable for installing in a suburban landscape with a low district brightness.

5.3.6 The light spill for the design system demonstrated that there is no spill directly impacting on neighbouring dwellings or natural habitat.

5.3.7 The following mitigation measures have been implemented to minimise the impact of the floodlighting system;

(1) The system shall use LED light fittings to use less energy

(2) To minimise the light spill and to eliminate upward light the floodlights selected are designed specifically for floodlighting sports fields. The floodlighting provides with a wide range of ambient temperature tolerance making it suitable for a variety of sports applications whilst having the best class spill light, 0 tilt and glare.

(3) The wide range of optics ensures maximum optical efficiency and enables highly precise light distribution with minimum spill light.

(4) The type of floodlighting has been chosen specifically for its suitability in relation to the limited light spill to areas not intended to be illuminated and for their low impact on the surrounding areas generally. The floodlighting design provided conceals the luminaire to the surroundings by optimising the control of the direction of lighting.

(5) In total 6no. floodlighting poles have been located so that the pitch will be floodlight to the desired level and the runoff area of the field receiving lowered level of light so that it can be utilised as a training/warm up area during training matches. The floodlights will be powered from an existing electrical connection available on site and will not require the provision of a generator, further mitigating any impact on the surrounding context.

5.4 Design Standards

5.4.1 The floodlighting proposals have been assessed using the guidance outlined the following publications:-

(1) BS EN 12193 Light and Lighting - Sports Lighting (2018)

(2) BS EN 12193 sets the minimum lighting levels for sports within Europe, it classifies sports into three standards.

(a) Class III - Training and recreational use

(b) Class II - High quality coaching and low level competition

(c) Class I - National standard coaching and high level competition

5.4.2 The design of the floodlighting system has been undertaken with consideration of the Institute of Lighting Professional's document Guidance Note 08/18 – Bats and Artificial Lighting in the UK. Which include: -

(1) Avoidance of lighting on key bat habitats or features present.

(2) Apply mitigation methods to reduce lighting to agreed limits in other sensitive locations (section 3 of the ILP document).

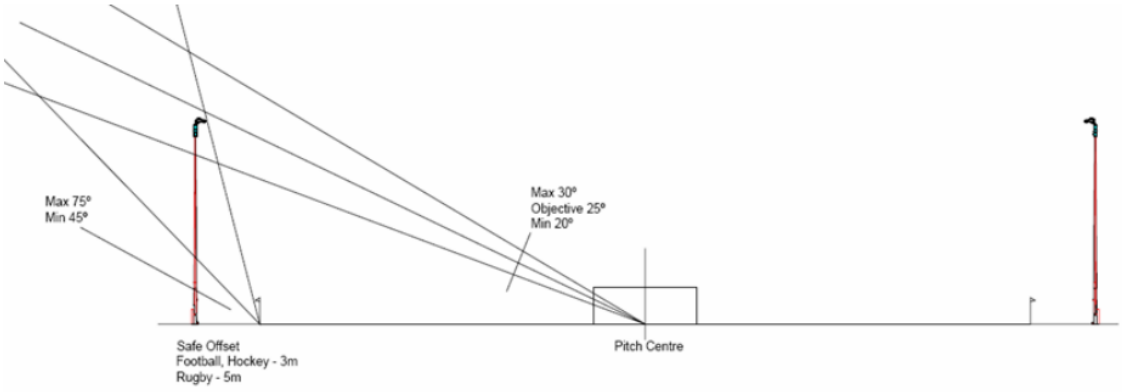
(3) Where particular sites are identified as having features which may be used by bats then consideration has been given to reducing the colour temperature of the luminaires to 3000 Kelvin as recommended in the ILP Guidance Note.

5.4.3 ILP Guidance notes for the reduction of obtrusive light (2020)

(1) Sets the guidelines for maximum values of light spill and glare dependent on the environmental zone category of the site.

5.4.4 CIBSE Lighting Guide LG4 - Sports Lighting (2006)

(1) Many of the lighting guides available offer little design guidance, however, CIBSE Guide LG4 provides the designer with a wealth of information, including how to use floodlight beams, the control of glare and spill light containment. There is also a method of calculating the optimum mounting height for floodlights using maximum and minimum angles projected from the centre of the pitch or court. This method effectively limits the aiming angle of the floodlight in order to produce the most efficient lighting design with limited overspill or waste light.



Calculation method for floodlight mounting height for CIBSE LG4

Figure 3 – Calculation Method for Mounting Height

5.5 Obtrusive Light Limitation

5.5.1 The Institute of Lighting Professionals has produced a guidance document to be used by lighting professionals, planning authorities and people with and interest in reducing the environmental impact of lighting installations. The ILP 'Guidance notes for the reduction of obtrusive light GN01/21 categorises the environment into five zones. The categorisation is according to the amount of urbanisation, the existing background illumination and the degree of protection required to maintain the current environmental zone.

5.5.2 The environmental zone categories are shown in Table 2 and the obtrusive light limitations in Tables 3 and 4.

Table 2: Environmental zones

Zone	Surrounding	Lighting environment	Examples
E0	Protected	Dark (SQM 20.5+)	Astronomical Observable dark skies, UNESCO starlight reserves, IDA dark sky places
E1	Natural	Dark (SQM 20 to 20.5)	Relatively uninhabited rural areas, National Parks, Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, IDA buffer zones etc.
E2	Rural	Low district brightness (SQM ~15 to 20)	Sparsely inhabited rural areas, village or relatively dark outer suburban locations
E3	Suburban	Medium district brightness	Well inhabited rural and urban settlements, small town centres of suburban locations
E4	Urban	High district brightness	Town/city centres with high levels of night-time activity

Table 3 (CIE 150 table 2): Maximum values of vertical illuminance on properties.

Light technical parameter	Application conditions	Environmental zone				
		E0	E1	E2	E3	E4
Illuminance in the vertical plane (E_v)	Pre-curfew	n/a	2 lx	5 lx	10 lx	25 lx
	Post-curfew	n/a	<0.1 lx*	1 lx	2 lx	5 lx

Table 4 (CIE 150 table 3 (amended)): Limits for the luminous intensity of bright luminaires[4].

Light technical parameter	Application conditions	Luminaire group (projected area A_p in m^2)					
		$0<A_p \leq 0.002$	$0.002<A_p \leq 0.01$	$0.01<A_p \leq 0.03$	$0.03<A_p \leq 0.13$	$0.13<A_p \leq 0.50$	$A_p>0.5$
Maximum luminous intensity emitted by luminaire (I in cd)	E0 Pre-curfew	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E0 Post-curfew	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E1 Pre-curfew	0.29 *d*	0.63 *d*	1.3 *d*	2.5 *d*	5.1 *d*	2,500
	E1 Post-curfew	0	0	0	0	0	0
	E2 Pre-curfew	0.57 *d*	1.3 *d*	2.5 *d*	5.0 *d*	10 *d*	7,500
	E2 Post-curfew	0.29 *d*	0.63 *d*	1.3 *d*	2.5 *d*	5.1 *d*	500
	E3 Pre-curfew	0.86 *d*	1.9 *d*	3.8 *d*	7.5 *d*	15 *d*	10.000
	E3 Post-curfew	0.29 *d*	0.63 *d*	1.3 *d*	2.5 *d*	5.1 *d*	1,000
	E4 Pre-curfew	1.4 *d*	3.1 *d*	6.3 *d*	13 *d*	26 *d*	25,000
	E4 Post-curfew	0.29 *d*	0.63 *d*	1.3 *d*	2.5 *d*	5.1 *d*	2,500
Aid to gauging A_p		2 to 5cm	5 to 10cm	10 to 20cm	20 to 40cm	40 to 80cm	>80cm
Geometric mean of diameter (cm)		3.2	7.1	14.1	26.3	56.6	>80
Corresponding A_p representative area (m^2)		0.0008	0.004	0.016	0.063	0.251	>0.5

Notes:

1. d is the distance between the observer and the glare source in metres;
2. A luminous intensity of 0 cd can only be realised by a luminaire with a complete cut-off in the designated directions;
3. A_p is the apparent surface of the light source seen from the observer position
4. For further information refer to Annex C of CIE 150
5. Upper limits for each zone shall be taken as those with column $A_p>0.5$

5.5.3 The guidance notes also recommend the maximum beam elevations for floodlights and the most effective reflector design required to minimise spill light and glare. By following this advice effective light control can be assured. **The site at Ysgol Bryn Alyn is located within a suburban area. The existing background illuminance is relatively low and consists of street lighting, and domestic luminaires. Following the guidance notes outlined in The ILP 'Guidance notes for the reduction of obtrusive light 2020' we have ensured our proposed lighting installation meets the requirements an E3 environment which in our opinion is what Ysgol Bryn Alyn falls under. With this in mind, we have ensured our design does not exceed the limits for this environment and further measures are also being put in place including an assumed curfew of 10pm.**

6 ADDITIONAL PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

6.1 Ground Investigation

6.1.1 Soiltechnics have prepared a ground investigation report which confirms the site history and details of the existing facility. This investigation report confirms there to be approximately 300mm topsoil across the site, underlain by gravel to the Northwest of the site, and clay to the South and West.

6.2 Ecological Impact

6.2.1 **Following conversations with ProHort, it has been determined that there will be minimal loss of habitat given that the proposed development area consists only of amenity grass land. As per their report, included as part of this application, this will be offset with the planting of 8no. native trees and 1no. hedgerow.**

6.2.2 **The Preliminary Ecological Assessment has determined that there are no major concerns regarding the proposed works. The report includes proposed mitigation measures and recommendations which include covering of any trenches overnight, should any protected species be encountered the works shall stop, and the installation of 1no. bat and 1no. bird box on completion of the works.**

6.3 Visual Impact

6.3.1 The proposed floodlights are vital to providing artificial lighting for extended community activities after dusk, mainly during autumn and winter seasons.

6.3.2 The design of modern floodlights is such that there is very little light spill. Back light is projected around the pitch and coupled with the adequate distance to any residential neighbours; this artificial lighting will generate minimal impacts to residential amenity; with not light trespass into windows and with little glare.

7 ACCESS OVERVIEW

7.1 Site Access

7.1.1 **Access to the development is anticipated through the main park gate off Church Street.**

7.2 Access for Construction Purposes

7.2.1 **It is expected that construction traffic will access the site via the main gate off Church Street. The access route will be sealed off where possible with Heras fencing where required to prevent any unauthorised access, with appropriate crossing points indicated if necessary.** This shall be given due consideration within the contractor's Traffic Management Plan & Construction Phase Plan. Control measures in place shall be included within the contractors RAMS information pack.

7.2.2 A suitable compound location for material storage/ welfare & for material deliveries shall be identified following a pre-start meeting with the client and contractor team. The construction phase and shall be designed with due considerations to Fire Safety Plans.

7.2.3 Client team shall identify and share all facility opening times, start and end of day hours etc.

7.2.4 No construction operations are anticipated to take place on Sundays or public holidays. HGV movements shall not be permitted outside the agreed workings hours without prior written approval from the Local Planning Authority.

7.2.5 No construction works shall take place out with 08:00 – 18:00 Monday to Saturday. With no works on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

7.2.6 Should the works be carried out during term time the construction areas will be completely sealed off from the school with no areas for potential crossover.

7.3 Opening Hours

7.3.1 To satisfy the demands of curriculum activities and allowing the wider community access to the pitch; the following hours of use are proposed:

Monday	09:00 – 22:00
Tuesday	09:00 – 22:00
Wednesday	09:00 – 22:00
Thursday	09:00 – 22:00
Friday	09:00 – 22:00
Saturday	09:00 – 20:00
Sunday	09:00 – 20:00

8 PLANNING STATEMENT

8.1 Planning Commitment

8.1.1 The following information was extracted from the National Planning Policy Framework, the Local Plan, and Sport Wales's available guidance. Commentary has been provided to detail how this development falls in line with the necessary policies and further details the benefit this will provide to the local community.

8.2 National Planning Policy Framework (December 2023)

8.2.1 The National Planning Policy Framework sets out the Government's planning policies for England and how these should be applied1. It provides a framework within which locally prepared plans can provide for sufficient housing and other development in a sustainable manner.

8.2.2 We feel that this development has went someway to confirm and address the following points from this framework.

2. Achieving Sustainable Development

"a) an economic objective – to help build a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right types is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth, innovation and improved productivity; and by identifying and coordinating the provision of infrastructure;"

8.2.3 The proposed development would create a state-of-the-art facility in a neighbourhood that doesn't have many similar in nature at this level, thereby creating access to an improved standard of facility that will encourage the wider community to become more engage in health and well-being driven activities. This facility will be made available to local clubs and community groups who would otherwise have nowhere to socialise and interact.

"b) a social objective – to support strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by ensuring that a sufficient number and range of homes can be provided to meet the needs of present and future generations; and by fostering well-designed, beautiful and safe places, with accessible services and open spaces that reflect current and future needs and support communities' health, social and cultural well-being."

8.2.4 **This school currently has an existing natural grass playing field, which due to its nature has restrictions on the available hours of use. Redeveloping the existing pitch into a new 3G synthetic** will help improve accessibility to organised sport within the community by providing an outdoor space that will be usable year-round, floodlit to enable winter use, within their local community.

8.2.5 The facility has been designed to meet current and future Cymru Football Foundation requirements that are expected of facilities such of this which can be used in community to participate in informal play which will help promote attract increased participation.

8.2.6 Efforts have been made to ensure that any negative impacts of the proposed development are minimised as far as practicable in order to reduce the levels of disruption caused, particularly to the local residents. In order to achieve this spill levels from the new floodlighting system were required to be kept below 10 Lux at the boundary.

8. Promoting Healthy and Safe Communities

"102. Access to a network of high quality open spaces and opportunities for sport and physical activity is important for the health and well-being of communities, and can deliver wider benefits for nature and support efforts to address climate change. Planning policies should be based on robust and up-to-date assessments of the need for open space, sport and recreation facilities (including quantitative or qualitative deficits or surpluses) and opportunities for new provision. Information gained from the assessments should be used to determine what open space, sport and recreational provision is needed, which plans should then seek to accommodate."

8.2.7 This facility has been designed to make use **of existing playing field** which aims to encourage and promote healthy lifestyles by offering a site to engage with organised competitions as well as informal activities. This space would primarily be utilised by the school and the local community by directly encouraging young people to participate in physical activity. The new facility will be developed to ensure that it allows the local community access to high quality facilities, capable of facilitating sport and recreational activities that will promote and encourage healthy lifestyles.

"103 – Existing open space, sports and recreational buildings and land, including playing fields, should not be built on unless:

a) an assessment has been undertaken which has clearly shown the open space, buildings or land to be surplus to requirements; or
b) the loss resulting from the proposed development would be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quantity and quality in a suitable location; or
c) the development is for alternative sports and recreational provision, the benefits of which clearly outweigh the loss of the current or former use."

8.2.8 The proposed development has been designed **to have little / no impact on the existing sporting provisions on the site, as shown by the associated drawings**. The proposed development aims to improve the sporting provision onsite through the provision of a hard wearing 3G synthetic pitch which will be able to accommodate increased usage throughout the year.

12. Achieving Well-Designed Places

"131 – The creation of high-quality, beautiful and sustainable buildings and places is fundamental to what the planning and development process should achieve. Good design is a key aspect of sustainable development, creates better places in which to live and work and helps make development acceptable to communities. Being clear about design expectations, and how these will be tested, is essential for achieving this. So too is effective engagement between applicants, communities, local planning authorities and other interests throughout the process".

8.2.9 The design of this facility, is in line with the Cymru Football Foundations requirements and as such is a high quality, exciting, vibrant and enticing facility which has been carefully considered throughout, as such we feel that the proposals align with Paragraph 126 of the NPPF in regard to the creation of high-quality sustainable facilities.

8.3 **Planning Policy Wales Edition 12**

8.3.1 **All playing fields whether owned by public, private or voluntary organisations, should be protected from development except where:**

• facilities can best be retained and enhanced through the redevelopment of a small part of the site;

• alternative provision of equivalent community benefit is made available locally, avoiding any temporary loss of provision; or

• there is an excess of such provision in the area.

8.3.2 The proposed development will deliver a facility of greater community benefit than that of the existing playing field. The existing natural grass pitch is currently able to host a limited amount of usage at any given time due to the low durability of natural grass pitches. The new 3G synthetic pitch will be available for a greater number of use cases, with this further enhanced by the inclusion of a new LED floodlighting system to ensure its availability throughout the autumn and winter months as daylight hours become limited.

9 PROPOSAL SUMMARY

9.1 In view of the proposals outlined herein assessed against relevant planning policies and considerations, we request that the proposal be accepted with the following key points;

(1) Provide opportunities for the local community groups to participate in sport and physical activity for health improvement, enjoyment and development of their skills, particularly amongst low participating groups

(2) Operate in line with the national agenda for sport considering nationally adopted strategies.

(3) Generate positive attitudes in sport and physical activity by children and young adults

(4) Increase the number of people of all ages and abilities participating in sport and physical activity including people with disabilities

(5) Provide a proposal of high quality design to minimise the impact to the local residents

END OF REPORT