

Matthew Phillips

From: Sport Wales FIT <sw.fit@sport.wales>
Sent: 13 August 2021 12:51
To: Matthew Phillips
Subject: P/2021/0680 - New School at the Nine Acre Field, Wrexham – Response from Sport Wales

Dear Matthew,

As set out in the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Wales) Order 2012 (SI 2012/801), Sport Wales is the statutory consultee on developments affecting playing fields. The application site has been used as a playing field and therefore consultation with Sport Wales is required.

In assessing such proposals, Sport Wales makes reference to paragraph 4.5.4 of Planning Policy Wales which states that “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.”

No information has been provided which satisfies any of the above criteria and therefore Sport Wales would like to object to the application. Sport Wales would be happy to review this objection pending receipt of further information.

The supporting Design and Access Statement points out that the site is not available to the public and instead used privately but as noted above Planning Policy Wales seeks to protect playing fields irrespective of ownership. In addition, the land is owned by Wrexham County Borough Council and it is therefore within its gift to make the site available to the public.

With regard to the above policy and its three exceptions, the proposal involves the development of a significant portion of the site and there are no details of replacement so those two points are not applicable and therefore the only possible exception is that there is an excess of provision in the area. If such evidence can be provided showing a clear excess, Sport Wales will be happy to reconsider its objection. Please note however that Technical Advice Note (TAN) 16 Sport, Recreation and Open Space, a supplement to Planning Policy Wales states “When not required for their original purpose, they may be used to help meet the need for informal recreational or amenity land in the wider community. Only where it can be clearly shown that there is no deficiency, should the possibility of their use for alternative development be considered”.

Kind regards
Angela Lewis
On behalf of Sport Wales

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Sent: Monday, August 9, 2021 9:36 AM

To: Sport Wales FIT <sw.fit@sport.wales>

Subject: [External Email]- Planning Application P/2021/0680 - FAO Angela Lewis

Dear Angela,

I confirm extension of time until 13th of August for you to comment on the above.

Regards

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