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From: Vicky Aston <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 04 December 2018 13:03
To: Garside, James
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: LPA App Ref: 18/2977/FUL - Marble Hill House -

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Following Sport England's objection to the proposals, we met on site with English Heritage and their agents to discuss changes to the changing rooms. As highlighted in the Applicant's covering letter of 9th November 2018 Sport England agreed to withdraw our objection to this application if the applicant removed details relating to the internal layout of the changing rooms, subject to the applicant engaging with stakeholders including the Rugby Football Union, the Football Association and England & Wales Cricket Board to redesign the changing room layout to address concerns regarding safeguarding and provide a more modern changing room layout in line with Sport England design guidance and that of the relevant pitch sport national governing bodies. English Heritage's agent has confirmed that English Heritage will do this in the covering letter of 9th November 2018.

Further amendments to the internal layout of the building should not require a further planning application and Sport England looks forward to these discussions taking place early in the year to secure amendment to the internal layout of the sports block and provide a changing facility that meets current best practice and is fit for purpose.

It is considered that the proposed playing fields improvements meet exception 4 of Sport England's Playing Fields Policy.

Sport England therefore withdraws its objection to this planning application. This is subject to the following condition to ensure the pitch improvements are secured;

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*Reason: To ensure the quality of pitches is satisfactory and they are made available for use within the agreed timescale and to accord with Development Plan Policy **.*

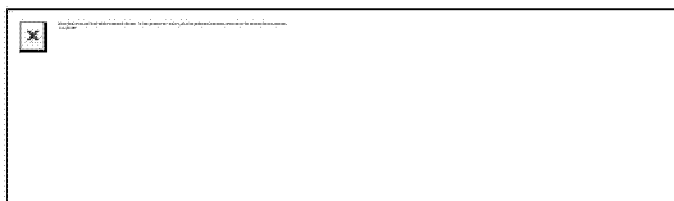
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Regards

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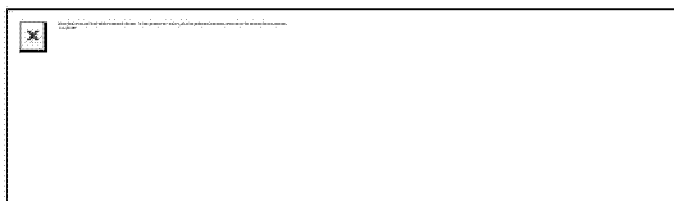
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