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Dear Sir/Madam,

**SHEEN LAWN TENNIS AND SQUASH CLUB, PARKLANDS CLOSE, EAST SHEEN, SW14 7EH**

**APPLICATION REF NUMBER: 22/0081/FUL**

We hereby submit this statement which details why a Fire Statement is not necessary for this application.

The application is for: **The installation of floodlights to two existing courts, comprising 10 no. floodlights on 9 columns.**

Guidance on Policy Criteria for London Plan policy D12(A) states that to demonstrate development has meet the highest standards of fire safety, proportionate to the development, the following information should be addressed. (Please find in BLUE are justification for why this information has not been provided.)

1. Identify suitable positioned unobstructed outside space for:
  - a. Fire appliances to be positioned on - The Site layout remains unchanged, no new building or roads are proposed. Emergency vehicles will continue to access the site in the existing way.
  - b. Appropriate for use as an evacuation assembly point - The evacuation process currently in existence will also remain the same. No change of use to the existing buildings or amendments are proposed.
2. Are designed to incorporate appropriate features which reduce the risk to life and the risk of serious injury in the event of a fire; including appropriate fire alarm systems and passive and

active fire. - The need for fire alarm systems and passive and active fire safety measures is non applicable for this application to provide floodlight to tennis courts.

3. Are constructed in an appropriate way to minimise the risk of spread. – The proposed floodlights are made of aluminium, secure and are modern and energy efficient LED box types. The lights are also designed to be Lawn Tennis Association compliant.
4. Provide suitable and convenient means of escape, and associated evacuation strategy for all building users. – The existing means of escape from all buildings on site will remain unchanged.
5. Develop a robust strategy for evacuation which can be periodically updated and published, and which all building users can have confidence in. – The users of the Sheen Lawn Tennis and Squash Club will move to a safe location in the event of an emergency as existing, this will not be changed or affected by the proposed floodlights.
6. Provide suitable access and equipment for firefighting which is appropriate for the size and use of the development. – The proposed floodlighting will not affect how emergency access is to be provided to the SLTSC and what fire safety equipment is provided by the club during the construction or once the floodlights have been put up. Levels of firefighting water supply will also remain unaffected by the addition of floodlighting.

We therefore conclude a Fire Statement is not necessary for this application.

Yours sincerely,

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