Proposal: Siting of three padel tennis courts

Location: Blue Diamond Banks End Wyton Huntingdon

Planning Ref: 25/01038/FUL

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Thank you for consulting us on the above.: - answers are below .

I note the proposed times of use 07:00 – 23:00 each day Monday to Saturday and 07:00 – 22:00 on Sundays. This is very early for a Sunday morning – is there scope for 08:00 as background sound levels (traffic etc) will be much lower at that time and day of week.

The courts consist of mainly glass surrounding which will assist in noise reduction, and they are at distance from residential properties. There is also a property on site screening the proposed courts from the nearest residential property on the north side of the A1123.

Taking into consideration the proposals and the location it is unlikely they will lead to a significant adverse impact. I would however recommend the following to minimise the impact as far as possible:

Times of use limited (preferably in line with my second sentence above)

Times of lighting limited (in line with times of use)

Lighting to be installed in line with the Institute of Lighting Professionals Guidance on the Reduction of Obtrusive Light

Anti-vibration bushings should be used to fix the fence panels to supports, dampening vibrations and reducing noise transmission (for the mesh fencing).

I am happy to discuss wording for the above if required, in the meantime if you have any queries or wish to discuss this matter further please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Claire.

Thank you for the advice Claire and we will absolutely adjust our open times to accommodate 8:00 am opening on a Sunday – the lights will be on a light sensitive control mechanism and will only activate when the courts are in use, the floodlights are in extremely low wattage and lumen count and are angled down to the floor so the lux spillage is at an absolute minimum.

The glass and the mesh will indeed be fitted with dampening bushings as suggested

Many thanks again.

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