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Sport England Ref: PA/20/E/WES/55443

### FAO Penny Mills

Reserved Matters Application - Submission of details under SE/09/1283 for the infrastructure for Phases 2-6, Comprising of the Internal Estate Roads, Drainage, POS, Landscaping, Sports Pitches and Allotments

Thank you for consulting Sport England on the revisions to the above application for reserved matters.

The proposals include an area of sports pitches which shows two mini-soccer pitches marked out together with an area of car parking. This will provide a local facility to meet demand generated by the new development.

In terms of pitch sizes, the following are the FA recommended sizes for mini soccer:

Under 7/8 (5 v 5) - 36.5m x 27.5m

Under 9/10 (7 v 7) - 54m x 37m

The pitch sizes should therefore reflect the above, and include a 3 metre safety margin.

Sport England does not wish to raise an objection to this application which meets our Planning Objective 3, which seeks to secure new provision for sport and physical activity to meet existing and future needs.

If planning consent is granted we would request the following condition to be attached to the planning consent;

The playing fields and pitches shall be constructed and laid out in accordance with the planning application and Drawing No. JBA 18/351 - 01 (Rev C) and with the standards and methodologies set out in the guidance note "Natural Turf for Sport" (Sport England, 2011), and shall be made available for use before first occupation of the dwellings approved [or other specified timeframe] of the development hereby permitted.

*Reason: To ensure the quality of pitches is satisfactory and they are available for use before development (or agreed timescale) and to accord with Development Plan Policy*  
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I hope these comments are helpful in the determination of this application.

Kind regards,

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