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Dear Development Strategy Team,

Please find below comments on the Rugby Borough Local Plan Issues and Options consultation document.

36. Are there any other issues or policies (not covered by the questions above) that we should cover in the new plan?

The outputs from Council's emerging Playing Pitch Strategy should be reflected in the new Local Plan. For example, Local Plan Policy HS4 should be updated and incorporate the playing pitch calculator (PPC) as opposed to the standards approach for calculating pitch provision for new development sites. The PPC should also be utilised to inform demand generated from new housing allocations, with the findings of the Playing Pitch Strategy then being utilised to inform how the needs would be met i.e. on site provision or off site contributions.

Similarly, the emerging Playing Pitch Strategy identifies that certain club sites like Old Laurentians RUFC need additional access to pitches to address shortfalls in provision. Sport England considers that the Local Plan could be proactive in allocating a new site for the Club to address issues of shortfalls in pitch provision (alongside need for modern clubhouse provision). Any alternative site should be compliant with NPPF paragraph 103 and Sport England Exception Policy E4.

38. Do you support a policy protecting stadia as community and sports facilities? If so, which stadia should we protect?

Sport England supports the principle of a policy protecting stadia sites and would be happy to discuss the content of the policy and the sites which should be included/criteria for site inclusion.

Should you have any queries regarding the above comments please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Sport England would be happy to assist in any development of policies relating to sport, built recreation, physical activity, active environments and housing allocations.

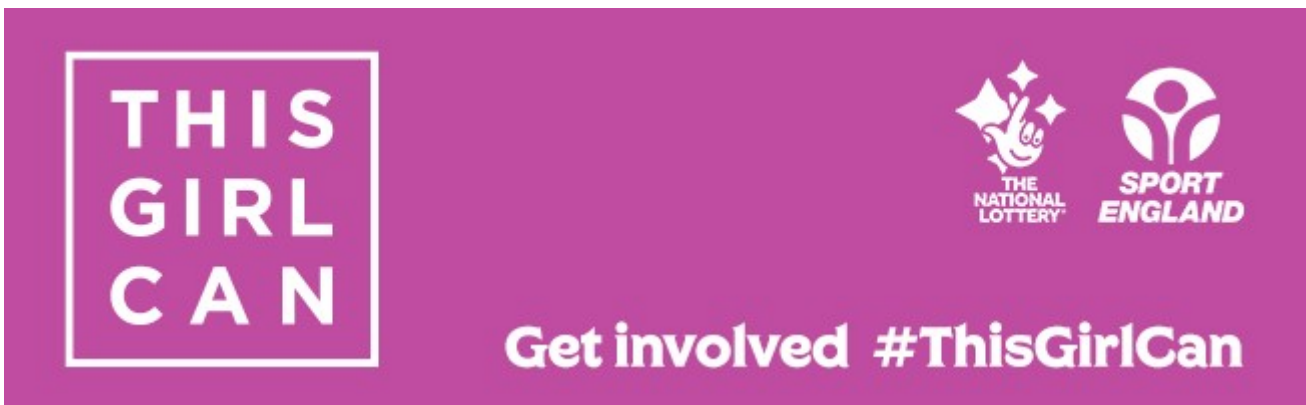
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