PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING of 04 November 2026

Amendment Sheet

Minor applications

Item number 5

Planning reference number: 26/02186/FUL

Site address: Coldhams Common, Pool Way, Whitehill Road, Cambridge

Description of development: Installation of 2no permanent backstop structures replacing existing temporary structure

Summary of amendment(s):

- Amendment to paragraph numbers 12 onwards (See updated Table)
- Amendment to paragraph 12.2
- Amendment to paragraph 12.5 (now 13.5)
- Amendment to paragraph 15.3 (now 16.3)

Amendments to text:

Amendment to paragraph numbers:

The current paragraph labelling has been amended in line with the following table to remove the duplication of paragraph number 12 which appears twice for separate matters.

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Amendment to paragraph 12.2 to read:

The application site is located within urban area of Cambridge City.

NPPF Policy S4 (1) states development proposals within settlements should be approved unless the benefits of doing so would be substantially outweighed by any adverse effects, when assessed against the national decision-making policies in this Framework.

Amendment to Paragraph 12.5 (now 13.5) to read:

Overall, the proposal represents an appropriately designed form of development that is proportionate to its recreational function and would not result in harm to the character or appearance of the area. The proposed development is considered compliant with Policies 55, 56 and 57 of the Cambridge Local Plan, together with the design objectives contained within the National Planning Policy Framework.

Amendment to Paragraph 15.3 (now 16.3) to read:

The Environmental Health Officer raised no objection to the proposal and concluded that it represents a low risk in terms of potential noise impacts. This conclusion is based on both the substantial distance to the nearest sensitive receptors and the likely hours of use of the baseball pitches. ~~restricted operating hours of the pitches~~. ~~The hours of use will be controlled through a planning condition to ensure that the development operates in accordance with the assessed circumstances.~~ Accordingly, the proposal is not considered to result in unacceptable noise or disturbance to neighbouring occupiers and is therefore compliant with Policy 35 of the Cambridge Local Plan 2018.