

LEAD LOCAL FLOOD AUTHORITY – STATUTORY CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Consultation on Application Number: 2016/92702

Address: Woodfield Park Sports and Social Club, Meltham Road, Lockwood, Huddersfield, HD4 7BG

Proposed Development: Erection of training facility building with ancillary sports areas and demolition of existing pavilion

DC Officer: Louise Bearcroft

Drainage Officer: Paul Farndale

Comments:-

Summary

Kirklees Flood Management & Drainage will be able to support this application in due course, however the Flood Risk Assessment is unacceptable in its current form and requires revising. In addition there is some confusion over submitted drawing Site Section 068-05 showing the building in functional flood plain which would be objected to in line with national policy. We believe this plan may be no longer relevant.

Flood Risk Assessment/Drainage Strategy

The Flood Risk Assessment fails to take into account the 2016 SFRA for Kirklees. This shows a proportion of the site as zone 3b – Functional Floodplain

Drawings submitted with this submission (Site Section 068-05) show a building within this area. It is believed this may be a superseded drawing. Confirmation is required prior to any approval.

The Flood Risk Assessment carries no consultation with the Lead Local Flood Authority. We have records of flooding within the site boundary caused by a blocked culvert that runs through the site. This culvert is only partly mapped. Further research is required. It could provide a suitable outfall in due course that is economically advantageous to the developer.

The Flood Risk Assessment carries only a basic outline of drainage options. Submissions should take note of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority SUDS guidance document for planning applications.

Although BGS data suggests infiltration will be problematic on site, in line with the Water Framework Directive and the space available on site, a privately managed above ground drainage scheme, incorporating water treatment, could be

incorporated in this development for buildings and car park areas that would otherwise require an interceptor.

There should be no 'approval' of the FRA therefore even if other organisations do not 'object' to it as the aspects of main river flood risk (EA) or asset management (Yorkshire Water) they examine may be satisfactory to them. This would not reflect a holistic examination of risk.

We envisage a solution is possible but the FRA must take into account all knowledge and current guidance available and has failed to do so.

Signed: Paul Farndale

Date: 5th February 2017