

**Consultation Response from KC,  
Ecology Unit**

**2023/92145 East Bierley Playing Fields, Hunsworth Lane, East Bierley, BD4 6PU**

**Discharge of conditions 5 (access track upgrade), 6 (access track upgrade), 7 (cycle parking), 8 (electric vehicle charging), 9 (travel plan), 10 (waste storage and collection), 11 (coal mining investigation), 16 (Japanese Knotweed strategy), 17 (external lighting), 29 (landscaping) and 30 (biodiversity enhancement and management plan) of previous permission 2021/90357 for works to existing sports facilities including erection of clubhouse; additional changing facilities building; boundary treatments; storage facilities and floodlighting; works to existing pitches creation of hybrid and 3G/synthetic pitches; multi sport training area and car park**

**Date Responded: 18/08/2023**

**Responding Officer: Gareth Hey**

**Responding Ref:**

The following information has been received in support of a discharge of condition application:

- Japanese Knotweed Management Proposal - Inspectas Ref BE1258Af and Complete Weed Control\_Worksheet Log\_Spring 2023 (pursuant to condition 16)
- Calculux Report HLS4565 Rev 2 Proposed Floodlighting HLS4565 Rev 3, 15m Mast Detail – E01, Siteco FL11 Floodlight Specification and Siteco SL21 Mini (pursuant to condition 17)
- Biodiversity Management Plan, Brooks Ecological (pursuant to condition 30).

#### **Condition 16**

The submitted documents (detailed above) provide sufficient information to ensure that Japanese Knotweed will be appropriately eradicated at the site. The information contained within these documents should be strictly adhered to throughout the eradication scheme and as such, I support the discharge of this condition.

#### **Condition 17**

The submitted information does not appropriately address the following points of the condition:

- Details on hours of use of all external lighting;
- The measures that would be taken to minimise or eliminate glare and stray light (beyond the boundaries of the site) arising from the use of the lighting;
- Details of methods of switching and controlling the lighting so that it is only operated at the permitted times and at times when it is required; and
- Details of measures to ensure the lighting's impacts upon habitats and biodiversity are minimised.

Given the above, the information submitted in support of condition 17 does not appropriately address the full requirements of the condition, particularly with its regard on details to minimise light spillage onto the surrounding habitat. This detail is required to safely ensure that the proposed lighting scheme can expensively state how impacts to biodiversity will be minimised throughout the operational phase of the development.

#### **Condition 30**

The submitted BMP provides detail on how a 16.49% net gain in habitats and 100% net gain in hedgerows is to be achieved at the site. The management principles and timeframes submitted in the BMP ensure that this will likely be achieved. As such, I support the discharge of condition 30.