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Proposed Padel Courts at New Popplewell Lane, Scholes for Scholes Cricket Club



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1. Introduction

1.1.1 Mosodi Limited have been appointed by Scholes Cricket Club to provide highways and transport related planning advice to support an application for two padel courts at Scholes Cricket and Athletic Club, New Popplewell Lane, Scholes, Cleckheaton.

1.1.2 This Strategy has been prepared to outline the operational characteristics and the approach to traffic management to ensure that there is no severe impact on the highway network. This strategy document will be conditioned to the planning approval and should be referred to when operating the Site.

1.1.3 This traffic management document should be read in conjunction with the transport statement which supports the Site in order to understand and mitigate the impacts expected at the Site. This strategy has been written to ensure that the surrounding uses are not impacted with the following critical elements:

- Adjacent residents are unaffected; and
- All car parking should take place within the proposed Site car park or along the length of the B6120 Scholes Lane. Particularly, that no car parking should occur along New Popplewell Lane due to the narrowness of some of its extent.

1.1.4 The key development and operational proposals which will ensure that the above elements are not impacted are as follows:

- 29 car parking spaces are to be provided (8 for dedicated padel use), alongside 12 cycle parking spaces;
- Active travel modes will be promoted through internal communication and online via the booking app; and
- Volunteers/members of staff will monitor the car park occupancy during busier periods, and guide vehicles to park along Scholes Road should the car park be fully occupied.

2. Operational Characteristics

2.1.1 This chapter outlines the operational characteristics of the Site throughout the week.

2.2 Existing Site Characteristics

2.2.1 The existing Site is a cricket and football club. The current opening hours are as follows:

- Monday – Closed
- Tuesday – Closed
- Wednesday – 6am – 10pm
- Thursday – 6am – 10pm
- Friday – 6am – 11pm
- Saturday – 12 noon – 11pm
- Sunday – 1pm – 10pm

2.2.2 The cricket season runs from April – September for 20 weeks, matches are held on Saturdays between the hours of 12-4pm (approximate timings). Training is held on Thursday between 6pm-7pm.

2.2.3 The football season runs from September to May with matches held on Sunday mornings between 9-11:30am. Training is held on Wednesdays between 6-7pm.

2.3 Proposed Site Characteristics

2.3.1 In addition to the above cricket and football facilities, the proposed Padel courts will be available for hire between 6am-11pm 7 days a week, hourly sessions will be bookable via an app and access can be granted when the club is closed as this will be done via a keypad.

2.3.2 Visitors will be able to book more than one hourly session in succession if they wish.

2.3.3 The provision of the Padel centre at the existing cricket/football club, may also lead to linked trips with those already visiting the Site.

2.4 Promotion of Active Travel

2.4.1 To encourage users of the Site to travel via alternative modes to the car, the active travel routes will be promoted via the club's website, social media sites and within the communal areas. In addition to this, car sharing will also be encouraged to reduce the overall number of vehicles accessing the Site.

2.4.2 Information regarding travel options to the Site will also be provided through the padel booking app.

3. Proposed Traffic Management

3.1.1 As outlined above, the highest volumes of traffic will be on weekends when football/cricket matches are occurring at the same time as the padel courts are in use ('match-days'). Weekday traffic generation and parking demand will increase compared to the existing use of the site, however, the existing car park will be able to accommodate all weekday trips.

3.1.2 The main aim of this traffic management strategy is to direct traffic away from parking on New Popplewell Lane due to the narrowness of the carriageway.

3.1.3 During busy periods, in addition to the existing car park, there is plenty of on-street parking available on the B6120 Scholes Road. There are no parking restrictions in place, and the carriageway is sufficiently wide to accommodate on-street parking without impeding traffic flow. Off road pedestrian access to the Site is also available from Scholes Lane.

3.1.4 The location of each space for car parking is shown in Image 3.1 below.

IMAGE 3.1 CAR PARK LOCATIONS



3.1.5 The B1620 Scholes Road is located approximately 140m from the Site entrance, which is a reasonable walking distance for visitors parking off-site. Given the active nature of visitors at the site, it is also considered likely that users would be willing to walk further.

3.1.6 8 of the car parking spaces will be reserved solely for use by the padel courts. All remaining car parking spaces (21) will be available for other users of the Site. On match days, car park attendees will be on Site to ensure that once the car park is full, all other vehicles requiring car parking will be directed to Scholes Road located to the north of the Site.

3.1.7 The on-site car park will be provided firstly to those with reduced mobility and disabled users.

3.1.8 Any drop-off's will be managed by volunteers on New Popplewell Lane who will also discourage any parking along New Popplewell Lane, given the narrow width of the carriageway.

3.1.9 All volunteers will be in constant contact with one another via mobile phone to ensure a swift and safe arrival and departure.