

My comments with regards to the application are as follows.

Any loss of squash provision, no matter how small, should look to be re-provided for at another suitable venue. Havant Junior Squash Club have been in negotiation with Horizon Leisure over the development of squash at the Havant site. It should be noted that Havant Leisure Centre only have provision for 1 squash court, greatly reducing the number of young people that can play/be coached at any one time. However, I am happy that Horizon Leisure are capable of providing a suitable squash function at Havant Leisure Centre. Therefore, if the negotiation with Horizon Leisure receives a positive outcome I would not raise any objection.

With regards to the development of an artificial grass pitch on the existing MUGA area. Any development would need to ensure that it is compliant for the type of activity that is proposed, in line with Sport England and RFU guidelines.

Many thanks

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