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Design and Access Statement

In support of the application (reference APP/11/00937) the College has reviewed the Design and Access Statement in respect of the change of use of the sports hall building situated at Havant College.

The sports hall building is occasionally used outside of normal college hours as part of our Adult Learning evening programme at present. It is now the intention to allow some community use of the building which would be controlled and monitored by the College. This would enable an excellent facility to be utilised by the community when convenient. It is not anticipated that this will be an on-going commercial venture but one of long term standing agreements with recognised sporting groups such as the England Volleyball Association who are unable to use the community Leisure Centre due to existing usage of the facility.

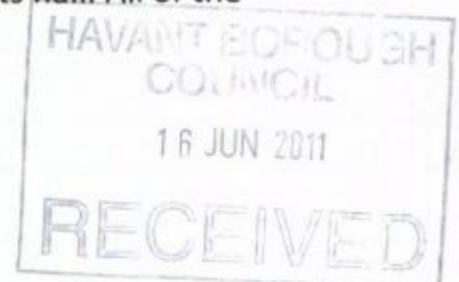
The existing site is already utilised during the evenings and weekends by Havant Hockey Club and the Havant Leisure Centre who let out the all weather pitch on this site. The proposal would not impact on this existing use in any way.

The sports hall is a self contained facility with adequate changing and shower facilities for both able and disabled sports people. The College can offer indoor football, Badminton, Tennis and Basketball (both able bodied and disabled).

There is no proposal to change the access to the site with all pedestrian entrances remaining open until the usage of the building has been completed and the college does have excellent links to both bus and train services.

For all vehicular access this will be by way of the main entrance and parking will be to the south side of the sports hall where there are a significant number of spaces for drivers, cyclists and disabled drivers. There is no proposal to change the number of spaces available.

The college will always have adequate campus staff on site to ensure the safety of the buildings, providing a locking up service to the sports hall. All of the college campus staff are qualified first aiders.



This change of use for the sports hall building is not envisaged as a continuous activity rather than an occasional use which will not lead to any significant changes in the way in which the building is utilised

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