



# Cannock Chase Council: Cannock Chase Local Plan Representation Form



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Sport England objects to Policy SH6:Former Hart School, Burnthill Rd with it resulting in the loss of playing field land. No details have been submitted demonstrating that the playing field land is surplus to requirement in line proposed policy S02:3 and NPPF paragraph 103.

The Council's Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) notes the closure of the Hart School (Lower School) would result in a shortfall of one match equivalent sessions in the North East Analysis Area; increasing overall shortfall of three match equivalent sessions on youth 11v11 pitches throughout Cannock Chase District.

The PPS also states that there is currently a shortfall of youth 9v9 pitches in the North East Analysis Area, of one match equivalent session; which is sustained when Cannock Chase District is considered. The loss of the youth 9v9 pitch at The Hart School (Lower School) site would require the relocation of the aforementioned one match equivalent session on youth 9v9 pitches, which would then result in a shortfall of two match equivalent sessions on youth 9v9 pitches in both North East Analysis Area and Cannock Chase District.

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The policy should include a criteria that development of the playing field land shall only occur should it be demonstrated that the playing field land is surplus to requirement or replacement provision is provided which is at least equivalent in quantity and quality.

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Para-graph:	6.59 and 6.67	Policy:	S02.3	Site:		Policies Map:	
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- B. Sound    Yes:                       No:
- C. Compliant with the Duty to Co-operate                      Yes:                       No:   
(Please tick as appropriate).

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Sport England welcomes the positive approach towards new provision of open space, sports and recreational buildings and land, including playing fields. However, in relation to playing field demand the policy proposes a standards approach, which is not supported, whilst also advocating the use of the Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) New Development Calculator (NDC).

The NDC is a tool to establish demand generated from developments for pitch sports utilising authority specific data in relation to team numbers and population data, as opposed to utilising an arbitrary standard. In certain circumstances there might not be the need for additional playing field land to meet the demand generated from a development, with off site contributions to enhancements to existing sites being the relevant approach informed by the findings of an upto date PPS.



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Sport England considers that for pitch sports the outdoor sports provision standard should be removed with the provision instead being informed by the Playing Pitch Strategy New Development Calculator.

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Further to this, it should also be acknowledged that other projects could also come forward which are not identified within the PPS which could meet the above criteria. It should be noted that the PPS should be kept up to date which will assist in identifying projects to meet the sporting needs of the community.

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Sport England welcomes the positive approach to providing opportunities for healthy living and activity through major development having to demonstrate proposals are in accordance with the principles of Active Design. This would assist in addressing Strategic Objective 2 providing healthy living opportunities and increasing physical activity in everyday lives.

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Para-graph:	6.24	Policy:	S01.2	Site:		Policies Map:	
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Sport England notes that the policy lists the proposed sports provision at the site. However, the provision is not aligned to that proposed to be delivered at the site through planning permission 19/00753/OUTMEI which seeks to deliver two artificial pitches, football pitches, rugby pitch and MUGA.

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Please note that non-compliance with the duty to co-operate is incapable of modification at examination. You will need to say why each modification will make the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Cannock Chase Local Plan legally compliant or sound. It will be helpful if you are able to put forward your suggested revised wording of any policy or text. Please be as precise as possible.

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The sports provision listed within the policy should reflect those proposed through planning permission 19/00753/OUTMEI.

*(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

***Please note:*** In your representation you should provide succinctly all the evidence and supporting information necessary to support your representation and your suggested modification(s). You should not assume that you will have a further opportunity to make submissions.

***After this stage, further submissions may only be made if invited by the Inspector, based on the matters and issues they identify for examination.***

**Q6. If your representation is seeking a modification to the Regulation 19: Pre-Submission Draft of the Cannock Chase Local Plan, do you consider it necessary to participate in examination hearing session(s)?**

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*Please note that while this will provide an initial indication of your wish to participate in hearing session(s), you may be asked at a later point to confirm your request to participate.*

- No, I do not wish to participate in hearing session(s)  
 Yes, I wish to participate in hearing session(s)  
*(Please tick one box)*

**Q7. If you wish to participate in the hearing session(s), please outline why you consider this to be necessary:**

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*(Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary)*

***Please note:*** *The Inspector will determine the most appropriate procedure to adopt to hear those who have indicated that they wish to participate in hearing session(s). You may be asked to confirm your wish to participate when the Inspector has identified the matters and issues for examination.*

Signature:		Date:	18/03/2024
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