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Dear Mr. Adenegan

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Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above application.

It is understood that the site forms part of, or constitutes land last used as playing field as defined in The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (Statutory Instrument 2015 No. 595). However, as the playing field (the area to the east of the Hertfordshire Constabulary HQ site that was previously used as a delineated football pitch by Hertfordshire Police until around 2010) has not been used for at least five years, the consultation with Sport England is not a statutory requirement.

The application includes a proposal for a replacement car parking area on an area of open space to the south of the site. However, this area is not used for playing pitches and there is no evidence that this area of open space has been used for playing pitches in the past. I am aware from a consultation on a previous planning application (N6/2012/0854/MA) on the application site that Hertfordshire Police no longer use any part of the site for playing pitches including the area to the east of the site that was formerly marked out as a football pitch and would not be affected by the proposals in the current application.

As the current proposal would not appear to affect an area of the site that is used as (or has been used in the past as) playing fields, I can advise that Sport England has **no comments** to make on this planning application.

Please contact me if you have any queries

Yours sincerely,

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