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Subject: 60 Keyner Road DM25/0484

Hi Andy,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the mixed-use redevelopment of the site comprising of ground floor commercial/community use and 26 No. new residential units on upper floors alongside associated parking and public realm improvements.

The following leisure contributions are required to enhance capacity and provision due to increased demand for facilities in accordance with the District Plan policy and SPD which require contributions for developments of over 5 units:

CHILDRENS PLAYING SPACE

Adastra Park is the nearest locally equipped play area to the development site. These facilities will face increased demand from the new development and a contribution of £31,464 is required to make improvements to play equipment (£17,100) and kickabout provision (£14,364). An alternative play park to this is Parklands Play Area. Both of these facilities are within the distance thresholds for children's play outlined in the Development and Infrastructure SPD.

FORMAL SPORT

In the case of this development, a financial contribution of £25,242 is required toward formal sport facilities at either Adastra Park (football); Weald Squash and Tennis Club, Hassocks (padel tennis courts); or London Road Recreation Ground, Hassocks (football).

COMMUNITY BUILDINGS

The provision of community facilities is an essential part of the infrastructure required to service new developments to ensure that sustainable communities are created. In the case of this development, a financial contribution of £14,477 towards either the 1st Hassocks Scouts Group; Adastra Hall; or Age Concern community building, Dale Avenue, Hassocks, would be appropriate.

In terms of the scale of contribution required, these figures are calculated on a per head formulae based upon the number of units proposed and average occupancy (as laid out in the Council's Development and Infrastructure SPD) and therefore is commensurate in scale to the development. The Council maintains that the contributions sought as set out are in full accordance with the requirements set out in Circular 05/2005 and in Regulation 122 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010.

Kind regards,
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