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Subject: FW: Service request - SR/24/3963 50 Hurst Road Hassocks West Sussex BN6 9NL
Attachments: ufm12_H&S_Service_Request_Job_sheet.pdf

Dear Anna,

I have received the planning objection for application DM/24/2505. Firstly, I must state that the Food and Safety Team do not have any enforcement authority for domestic properties so the following information is my opinion.

My opinion is that tennis is currently played /located in a variety of public areas such as local parks. An example would be Lindfield common - 4 courts located in the public park. There is a public footpath running alongside the length of the courts, domestic gardens run along one side of the courts. Children, dog walkers and football game activities are carried out along the courts and we have not received any complaints to my knowledge or any health and safety incidents or accidents. Tennis is also played in front of spectators in sometimes large arenas, there are no barriers between the court and the spectators to ensure their health and safety. Although the technical ability and control of the ball would be better than if it was a general member of the public.

As there is a greenhouse located in close vicinity to the domestic tennis court can the planning applicant be contacted or conditions put in place to ensure that the applicant has considered the risks and puts in place controls to mitigate those risks e.g. height of court fencing / netting to significantly reduce the likelihood of a ball entering the neighbours garden and hitting the green house or planting tall hedges etc.

The following should also be considered: what is the likelihood of being hit by a tennis ball, and what is the likelihood that the severity of harm would be severe? In my opinion a risk assessment would deem the likelihood to be low and severity of harm to be low.

I hope this gives some clarity on risk.

Kind Regards,

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Please see attached Service Request
SR/24/3963

Type: H&S Advice/Other.

Details: Email from Anna Tidey, Planning. Adam Dracott to respond re: noise.

Hi

I have received an objection to an application for a domestic tennis court application from a neighbour to the site, see below. (info@work) Rather than consult the Health and Safety Exec, which I believe to be unnecessary, I shall be grateful if you could comment on the safety, noise, health issues that such a proposal could create for a neighbouring resident?

I have requested a formal consultation is sent through today.

Thank you

Anna

DM/24/2505

Proposed tennis court to rear garden

Regards

EH Support Team

Mid Sussex District Council