

PLANNING REF : 242703
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 66 Tabby Drive
: 66 Tabby Drive Tabby Drive, Reading, Berks
: RG7 1WP
SUBMITTED BY : Mrs Katherine McNamara
DATE SUBMITTED : 14/11/2024

COMMENTS:

Millworth Lane has been Shinfield Rangers spiritual and historical home since our founding in 1972. 52 years of continuous football for the children and people of Shinfield. The club currently have a 9-a-side and 11-a-side which are used every Saturday to host matches. Our men's team also use Millworth for Reading District League matches on a Sunday. The pitches are widely regarded as the best in Shinfield, if not the entire Wokingham Borough. This comes from league representatives and teams alike. This is all down to the hard work of the club to maintain them to a high standard.

The club have not been consulted at any point during consultation, nor have the new pitches at High Copse and Hyde End Lane been offered as a replacement. SPC have already told us that they will go to the highest bidder, which includes clubs outside the parish. Manor Ground was only built to fit 7 and 9 a side pitches, has poor maintenance and drainage. Ryeish Green is also poor quality, is at capacity and more games going there will cause untold traffic issues which we have managed to control over the last 18 months. Shinfield Rangers will have 11 teams at 11-a-side next season, with nowhere to play and directly affecting over 60 adults and 100 kids.

This is not acceptable!