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APPLICATION # AWDM/0338/22.

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FROM MRS H. GRIFFITHS.

Date of original composer 18/03/2022

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Dear all @ planning and all
planning committee members,

I am writing to you, the members of the planning department, and committee member, with regards to the application made by Ms Stacey Bull # AWDM/0338/22 at the SRWA with permission to extension to the original 3G pitch usages times.

I am resident & homeowner with a property backing straight on to the 3G pitch at the far westerly corner which also borders the rear of the school building and playground.

We have been having on going problems with breaches of our privacy with students looking through the chain link fence, call our dog and making her distressed coursing her to bark and tremble with anxiety. Footballs have being regularly kicked over, and students shouting and screaming in to our garden while I'm in my house. I have been told to get there [redacted]
Despite the fact that I have stopped what I'm doing, gone out there and thrown the ball back many a time and every time its gone over, they continue the be rude and verbally abusive.
I am in contact with SRWA with regards to this matter, however it is yet to be seen to whether it is being dealt with accordingly.

We then have the constant noise that I have the delight of living with. There is shouting, screaming, bellowing and even cheering from the spectators that visit the 3G pitch. You know the ones we where all told wouldn't be present at the pitch as its only for training and practise during the original planning application back in 2018.
Upto 7 days a week from 3.30-8pm. And sometimes after this time too, a whistle has just been blown tonight at 8.09pm. (and I'm indoors, by the way.) dated Wednesday 23rd march.
Shouldn't they be all done by 8pm???
The Light are often still on until 8.25pm, why???
Who is monitoring this?????

Well done ADC, yet another fantastic decision with absolute no regard or respect for the people that are forced to live with it.
I feel violated, and abused by the very system & people that are supposed to protect us from living with condition like these.

Anyone fancying a house swap?????... I bet not!

I am disgusted that this application is even being put forward, they couldn't mitigate the noise then, and still haven't now.
Surely in which case they are actually in breach of the of the original planning condition?????

The trees, fencing and bund that was supposed to block or at least reduce the noise, they have not served there purposes in anyway.

It will be just 8.40pm or 9.10pm now, then in another year or two it will go up again, and again until there is no respite from the light and noise at all.

The never ending shouting and bellowing from the adult players and the couches when the pitch is in use, is distressing and irritating. It courses myself and my family and even our dog stress.
After all the noise from play times in the day, it then just continues on and on in the late afternoon and evening with the 3G pitch use.

We can not enjoy our garden as much as we did pre 3G pitch. In the summer, we used to have dinner in the garden, friends and family would come over for bbqs and birthday parties, this is not always possible since the 3G pitch has opened.
Our human rights to peace, and enjoyment to our own environment have be taken from us!

When the pitch is being used, you can hear swearing and shouting all the time, you can literal hear every word being shouted, every word!
When they have spectators there, (which of course they said wouldn't be there in there original application in 2018. But I can assure you they most definitely are there) it unbearable.

We have to go out or going indoors and shout windows and curtains and turn up music or the television to try to buffer the sound.
We don't want to be inside in the summer its hot and stuffy, but planning decision in 2018 has left us with no choice, no freedom in our own home.
This infuriates me, the lack of consideration and respect to hard working, tax payer like ourselves.

We have had to convert one of bedroom from the back (east) of the house (3G pitch side) to the front of the house (west) so that [redacted] go to sleep in the evening in peace, making what was a bedroom into a living area instead.
Maybe the ADC or SRWA would like to reimburse us for the costs of doing this????

The lights are so bright, they light up the back of our house, I have also observed that it is affecting the birds environment, they seem to be chirping away until later into the evening when the light are on at the 3G pitch, they are confused by the lighting and this makes them think that its still day time. It is a known fact that light pollution like this coursing this behavioural change in birds shortens there life spans affecting the environmental balance.

I see [redacted] has stated in her application that they have so much demand for pitch use post Covid.
Well in which case why isn't it being used straight after school from 3/3.30pm??
And why isn't it being used all afternoon/evening every day????
DOESN'T SEEM FULL TO ME, MAYBE MORE OF A CASE OF BADLY MANAGED.
Is there any evidence of the so called demand???? I haven't see any on the planning application.
So here we are again, you have a decision to make, and at this point I really , really do hope you are really listening this time.
I'm begging you, please, please, please, no more torture!
I don't think with everything that happening in the last 2 years with the covid pandemic, [redacted]

Please don't just think of the revenue, think of the people like my family and I, that live with your decision day in, day out.
I shall asked you again, as I did in 2018.....Would you want this on you back door step???????

So just encase you weren't sure, I object..... Strongly to the unnecessary application.

However my husband and I would like to offer a compromise , I don't like it! But lets face it, the chances are you will give permission to SRWA regardless of what I have written here. With little consideration to the impact on people & families like ourselves, just like last time.

I'm not even convinced to be frank, that this letter will even be read by anyone!

I feel we, the neighbours of SRWA have been compromised more than enough already,
But I am a reasonable so hear my suggestion.

What if..... during the summer say from the 31st March until the 1st October 3G pitch usage times stays as it is 8pm prompt , residents can enjoy there gardens with all be it, a little peace after 8pm (when the time is upheld!)

Then from 1st October to March 31st the usage time can be extended times to 8.40pm, when most residents are starting to spend more time indoor, in the cooler weather starts, as the nights drew in, curtains get closed earlier, and windows are shut reducing the amount of noise heard.

Nevertheless, I would like to see a stipulation put on this new application if approved.
The stipulation would state that this is the last time that SRWA can apply for an extension of use or times increase. And therefore part of this new agreement with not permit them to reapply for anymore time extensions, or change of use in the future.
I feel this is the only fair solution to the never ending problem, that residence have, to constantly be living under the threat of the possibility of yet another application submission.

31st march 2022. Revised.
Additional information.
In fact I have actually found so evidence the to counteract [redacted] claim for the need of extra time, later into the evening making. This would make her claim null and void .
When I looking on the booking system, there seem to be a lot of empty spaces on the calendar.
There is a colour coded system Orange, meaning that the pitch is partially hired out.
green which mean the whole pitch is available for hire.
And Red means fully booked.
The 3G pitch is NOT fully booked, there is still at less 40 to 50% available each week.
I shall also send in screenshots of the booking availability with this letter as evidence against the need for an extension on usage time.
Why should we live our lives around the 3G pitch having to sacrifice our living standard and our human rights, and quality of life because SRWA can't fill times slots properly and efficiently. This is poor management and nothing more. This needed to be Looked into.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Hollie Griffiths.

These are screenshots of the current and up and coming 7 weeks of the SRWA pitch hire schedule taken from [redacted] website.

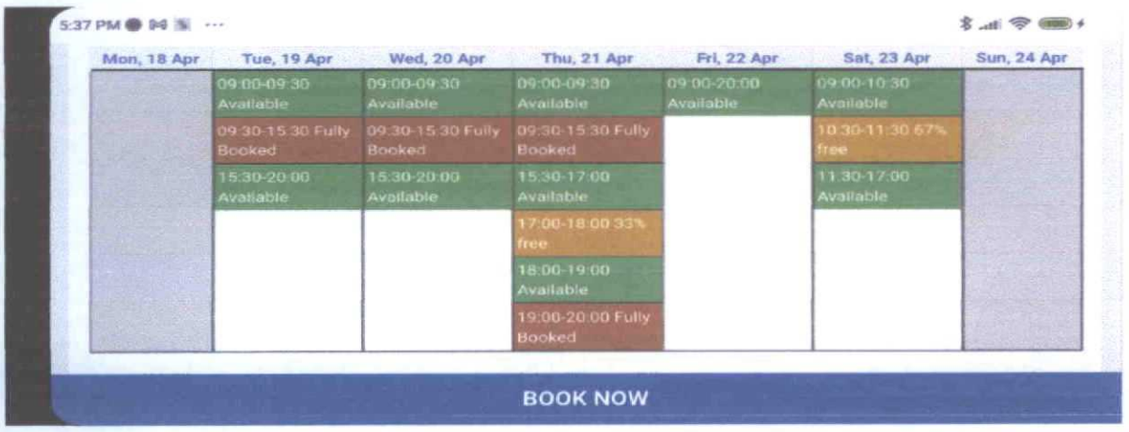
As you can see there is still plenty of availability shown here in **GREEN.**

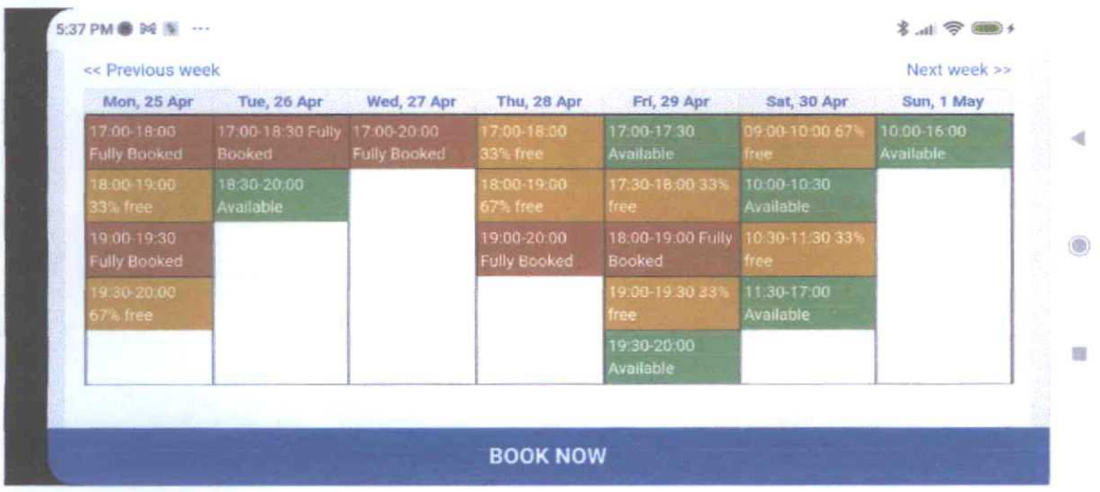
ORANGE indicates that the pitch is only proportionately being uses, some of which are over half, at 67% still available for hire, meaning only 1/3 of the pitch is being used at a times where orange is indicated in some cases.

Why isn't this being utilised more efficiently???????





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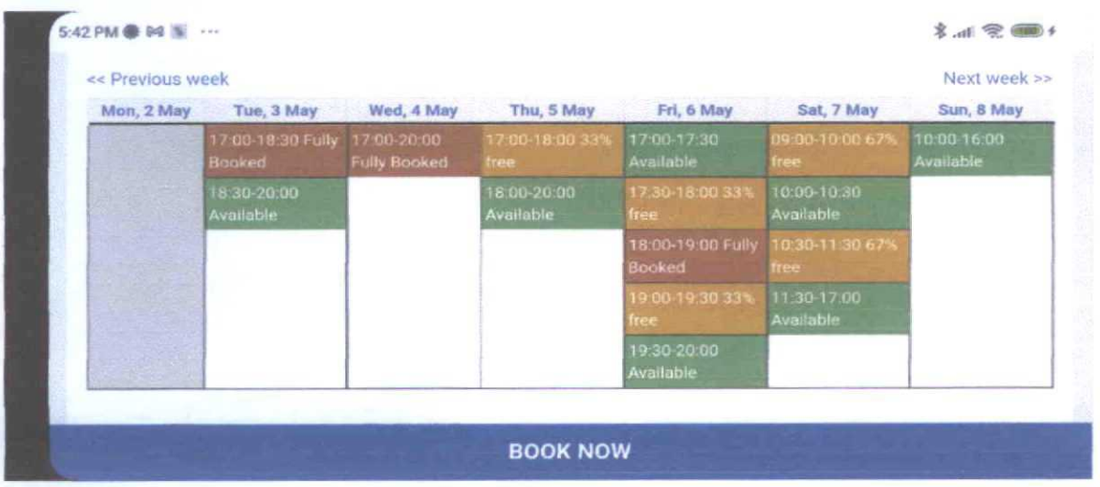
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