

Matter CC5: Services and Local Facilities – Supplement 1

Proposed Modifications to the Cambridge Local Plan 2014: Proposed Submission in respect of Matter CC5

1. Question 5A.2 (i) in relation to Policy 73: Community, sports and leisure facilities asks if an appropriate location for a community stadium facility, as referred to in paragraphs 8.13 and 8.14 of the supporting text, been identified by both Councils.
2. The Council has provided a response to this question at paragraphs 13 to 41 of the Council's Matter CC5 statement. The Council's Matter CC5 Statement at paragraph 40 referred to two sports strategies: a Playing Pitch Strategy 2015-2031¹ for grass and all weather pitches, and an Indoor Sports Facility Strategy 2015-2031² to guide future provision of indoor sports halls, swimming pools and outdoor cycling facilities to serve existing and new communities.
3. The Playing Pitch Strategy and Indoor Sports Facility Strategy take into account planned growth to 2031. Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council, in partnership with Sport England, commissioned the strategies to address the two local authorities' needs. These strategies were finalised in May 2016 after the Matter CC5 hearing statement was submitted. The Matter CC1/CCC Supplement 1 provided an update on the findings of the strategies.
4. The Playing Pitch Strategy summarises the data collected as part of the assessment and identifies the strategic requirements for future provision in Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire. The Playing Pitch Strategy provides an action plan for each sport and pitch assessed, explaining what needs to be implemented to support current and future demand for pitch provision based upon the planned growth in both Councils' Local Plans. These action plans have been jointly agreed by the National Governing Bodies.
5. The strategy has identified that some existing facilities in Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire require upgrading to address current or future demand. The Council will seek to address the deficiencies by securing provision of new facilities or contributions from development to provide new or improved facilities, where required to address increased usage and population growth. The Playing Pitch Strategy does not require the provision of a community stadium to address these needs.
6. The Indoor Sports Facilities Strategy identifies a need for additional provision across a range of facility types, as well as improvements to the quality of existing facilities, and the accessibility of provision. The strategy demonstrates a need for capital investment in some existing facilities, or their replacement in the long term, to address both current and future needs in Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire.

¹ RD/CSF/190

² RD/CSF/200

Whilst some of this investment relates to the provision of additional facilities, there is also a need for medium and long-term investment in existing ageing stock. By investing in existing facilities, existing levels of participation will be maintained and increased participation more likely to be achieved.

7. The Council proposes a number of minor modifications to reflect the findings of the Playing Pitch Strategy and Indoor Sports Facilities Strategy. Minor modifications were proposed to Policies 68 and 73, and to Appendix I (I.2 to I.7) to reflect the findings of the two strategies. These minor modifications are provided in Appendix 1 to the Matter CC1/CCC - Supplement 1.

8. Given the findings of the strategies, the Council considers that paragraphs 8.11, 8.13, and 8.14 of the Local Plan should be amended to reflect the findings of the Strategy.

9. The changes are expressed in the conventional form of strikethrough for deletions and underlined text for new text. The page numbers and paragraph numbering below refer to the Cambridge Local Plan 2014: Proposed Submission, and do not take account of the deletion or addition of text.

Table: Modifications to the Cambridge Local Plan 2014: Proposed Submission in respect of Matter CC5

Page	Policy/Paragraph	Modification
201	Paragraph 8.11	<p>Insert new sentence at end of paragraph 8.11 (moved from the end of paragraph 8.14):</p> <p>Community, sports and leisure facilities/sites perform an important role by stimulating and supporting social cohesion and interaction. It is therefore important that new and replacement facilities support new and existing communities, respectively. These should also facilitate the growth of the city by providing sufficient capacity to accommodate community need and demand. <u>Wider sports and leisure facilities should also be considered in appropriate areas of major change or other locations.</u></p>
201	Paragraphs 8.13 and 8.14	<p>Amend paragraphs 8.13 and 8.14 to read:</p> <p><u>As part of plan-making, a</u> A <u>process will also be</u> was developed with South Cambridgeshire to jointly assess appropriate sites in both areas, with the aim of identifying an appropriate and deliverable site for a community stadium within the sub-region. <u>None was identified. However, subsequently the Councils have also worked together with Sport England to produce a Playing Pitch</u></p>

		<p><u>Strategy and an Indoor Sports Facilities Strategy for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire to 2031 which has not identified any quantitative or qualitative need for a community stadium</u></p> <p>There is current under-provision of various sports facilities that a properly located and defined community stadium could contribute to, and wider sports and leisure facilities should also be considered in appropriate areas of major change or other locations.</p>
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