

## Cumnor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

### Independent Examiner's Note to Cumnor Cricket Club

Dear Mr Fitzjohn,

#### *Context*

I have been appointed by the Vale of White Horse District Council to examine the Cumnor Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan.

The examination is now underway. I have visited the neighbourhood area and looked at the cricket ground as part of that visit.

The District Council's website provides you with information on the current progress of the examination. I provide a link below to the relevant part of the website:

[Cumnor Neighbourhood Plan - Vale of White Horse District Council \(whitehorsedc.gov.uk\)](http://whitehorsedc.gov.uk)

As part of the examination process, I have read your representations to the Plan.

I have also read the Parish Council and the District Council's responses to my clarification note.

#### *Specific Questions*

In the interests of clarity and fairness I would be grateful to receive your responses to the following specific questions:

##### Question 1

Does the Cricket Club have a view about the public's use of the hard surfaces (to the east of the clubhouse and the nets and along the access drive) within the ground as an informal footpath?

##### Question 2

Section 3 of your letter of 29 October 2019 to the Parish Council draws attention to the Club's concerns about the potential implications of Park Field's proposed designation as a local green space on the future viability of the Club. Is the Club's principal concern that such a designation would affect the Club's ability to improve/extend/adapt the existing built facilities within the ground (such as the works included in the first and second bullet points in Section 3)?

##### Question 3

The final bullet point of Section 3 of the October 2019 letter comments about potential scenarios which could arise based on future requirements of cricket leagues and/or governing bodies. Does the Club have any further information at this stage on the following matters:

- when the requirements of the cricket leagues/governing bodies may change; and
- their specific requirements on Park Field/the Cumnor ground?

### *The Next Stages*

In order to maintain the momentum of the examination it would be helpful to receive your answers to the three questions by Monday 8 February 2021. Please send your responses to the District Council.

If the suggested timetable is not practicable please will you liaise directly with the District Council.

I will take your responses into account as I prepare my report on the submitted neighbourhood plan.

I have asked the District Council to add this note and your responses to the information already contained on its website.

Yours sincerely,

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