

Planning & Development Department  
Ipswich Borough Council  
Grafton House  
15-17 Russell Road  
Ipswich  
IP1 2DE



Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Sirs,

**King George V Field, Old Norwich Road, IP032 (UC033)**

I refer to the recent proposed local plan site allocation and would wish to comment on behalf of the Trustees of the King George V Field.

The use of this field for housing purposes has been under discussion with various developers and indeed your own council staff for probably as long as twenty years. The original developments envisaged housing to be over the entire site rather than partially over the site which the current plan seems to indicate. For the playing field to regenerate itself the intention was for the site to be sold for housing development and then a multi-sports field produced in the general area of Whitton but on a separate site.

Very clearly if this development goes ahead as it stands these plans would have to go out of the window as the Trust would not have sufficient funds to properly develop a multi-purpose site which is part of their original brief when set up.

You will equally understand that we cannot vacate the site and indeed it is in danger of "crumbling" around us because of indecision over the years.

The latest council officer involved has been a Helen Pluck but various officers have had contact with us over the years.

You will understand that it is not the principle that the Trustees would be concerned about but the partial use of the site and indeed it cannot be vacated until alternative arrangements have been made.

I would also comment that the Trust did not have any notification directed to it other than it being picked up by chance.

Please confirm that this letter is registered as a comment / objection.

Yours faithfully

D.J.Coe  
Trustee