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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Application No: FG/6/26/PL

Site Address: Little Twittens Recreation Ground Sea Lane Ferring BN12 5DY

Description of works: Installation of a new double non turf cricket training strip (astro wicket) within the existing playing field, replacing astro surface with a new ECB approved synthetic surface, reorientation from east-west to south-north for improved safety and usability, new wicket will be installed on a dynamic aggregate base using the Notts Sport Envelope System with a NottsGrass Ultra surface, the strip will be slightly extended to ensure bowlers land on the synthetic surface rather than grass, preventing damage to the outfield and improving safety of players and walkers using the field alike. This application is in CIL Zone 4 (Zero Rated) as other development.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 26th February 2026 which has been recorded as support with the comments as follows:

OWPC81506

I am writing in support of this application. Having been a player at the club for many years, chairman and now President, it is not surprising that I am, but I thought it might help to give some context.

Back in 2010/2011, we realised the club's existence was very fragile. We had one Saturday and one Sunday adult side, playing friendly matches, an ageing player demographic, no colts teams or practice facilities, and faced a hand to mouth financial challenge.

Due to the efforts of and voluntary commitment from members, vice presidents and members of the community we made initial improvements that allowed us to begin the development of a Colts section, install a practice area and modernise internal facilities. We have evolved to become a league club, with a strong Colts cricket section under the guidance of professional coaches.

It is important that we continue to be able to offer facilities of the appropriate standard, and that are as safe as possible to both players and members of the public, in order for us to sustain the club into the future. With the

club now running at the ground's maximum capacity, we have reached the stage of needing to replace the worn astro practice strip and, following expert advice, rotate it to a north south orientation.

Cricket at our level is very much an intergenerational sport. Our interconnections, both socially and sporting, with and within village life are much stronger now, particularly in respect of coaching and mentoring young boys and girls, and, if approved, this low impact and sensitively located improvement to our facilities would help us to continue this interaction, with all the sporting, social and behavioural benefits that brings.

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Planning Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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