

Tandridge Youth Football League

Good Afternoon

I write in support of Tooting & Mitcham United planning request. Tooting & Mitcham United are a major player within Grass Roots Sports and have invested heavily in providing first class facilities for many sports with football being a major benefactor, the facilities that they provide are widely used local teams as well as providing a base for the London FA representative teams.

The Tandridge Youth Football Team have 96 Clubs and 560 teams many of these in south east London and Croydon area, the League are also looking to Tooting & Mitcham United to provide a base for many of its Cup Finals.

The facilities are used through the whole spectrum of Grass Roots Football from Youth Competitions right up to Semi-professional Leagues.

Both the Tandridge Youth League and London FA also use the site for Coaching and training courses.

The costs of maintaining these facilities and the planned improvements to the site require even more investment and we support all the proposals.

I am sure that your Committee will be aware of the acute shortage of good facilities available to the Grass Roots game, Tooting & Mitcham United are a fantastic option for all.

Regards
Derek Harris
General Secretary Tandridge Youth Football League
Chairman London FA Representative Committee

I fully support the inclusion of Site Mo3 Imperial Field Sports Ground (Tooting & Mitcham Hub) for residential redevelopment within the new Local Plan because I believe...

- It will provide much needed affordable housing for local people in a deprived ward contributing to the delivery of broader regeneration objectives.
- It is an unused piece of scrub land with no landscape or ecological value.
- It should not be classed as Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) since it serves no useful purpose.
- It is a logical piece of land to release from MOL for development, with good road frontage and next to other houses.
- It has very good accessibility for public transport including local bus routes and the nearby Tram Link.
- As an 'enabling development' this is an innovative way of delivering community benefits.

- Monies raised will be re-invested into the existing public/private partnership helping to secure the long-term future Tooting and Mitcham Hub.
- It will bring forward the development of two further valuable community-based buildings (ie. new entrance block and a new changing block with educational suite).
- It will provide the financial stability required to deliver the Strategic Plan including the significant community benefits and facilitating social enterprise.
- The TM United Strategic Plan responds to both the local and national agenda for improving sport; health and wellbeing; education and enterprise.
- It is a unique opportunity to deliver a truly sustainable development that benefits the community with the borough of Merton.
- The proposed scheme has an attractive design that will improve the street and incorporates sustainable features.

Name

Organisation

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Signature

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