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Dear Mr Morley

Development Proposal for the Recreation Ground, Hardwick Lane, Sutton in Ashfield - V/2024/0063

I refer to the above application which has been the subject of a third-party request to call in for determination by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government.

The Secretary of State has carefully considered policy on calling in planning applications, as set out in the Written Ministerial Statement dated 26 October 2012. The policy makes it clear that the power to call in a case will only be used very selectively. This policy also gives examples of the types of issues which may lead her to conclude, in her opinion that the application should be called in.

The Secretary of State has decided not to call in this application. She is content that it should be determined by the local planning authority

In considering whether to exercise the discretion to call in this application, the Secretary of State has not considered the matter of whether this application is EIA Development for the purposes of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2017. The local planning authority responsible for determining this application remains the relevant authority responsible for considering whether these Regulations apply to this proposed development and, if so, for ensuring that the requirements of the Regulations are complied with.

The Article 31 Direction issued pursuant to the Secretary of State's letter of 1st August 2024 is hereby withdrawn.

Yours sincerely

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This decision was made by officials on behalf of the Secretary of State and signed on her behalf.