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Policy Response

Design Principles

This Reserved Matters Application has been prepared and detailed with reference to the approved Design Code and parameter plans of the outline planning application and this is demonstrated within the Design & Access Statement through an analysis of compliance with these approved documents.

The Design Code ensures that as this important scheme develops, it continues to meet high standards of design quality, including the surrounding urban and open spaces.

The facility has been designed to ensure that it meets Sport England design guidelines as set out in the Sport England Clubhouse Design Guidance Notes (2016). The Design & Access Statement submitted as part of this application sets out the design development of the proposals and how they have been shaped by stakeholder engagement. Stakeholder engagement has included working closely with the Phoenix Sports Association and a design workshop with the Oxford Design Review Panel on the design of the proposals.

The pavilion location will provide clear linkages between the community facilities, including the community hub incorporating a primary school, with direct access to the Linear Park and Primary Street. The objective is to create a high quality community sports destination, with the pavilion as a key feature, which has been designed to encourage healthier lifestyles and greater participation in sport for the local community. Beyond its sporting function it is important to note that it has been designed to provide social space for community activities to take place that can complement those at the new community hub and the existing Barton Neighbourhood Centre.

