

**MINUTES  
SPORT ENGLAND MEETING**

**WINCHESTER SPORT + LEISURE PARK**

PROJECT REF: 1706

held on 14 May 2018 at 13:30hrs  
At Sport England Offices, 21 Bloomsbury Street, London

**0.01 PRESENT:**

Jonathon Couves	Sport England	SE
David Hemsley	Sport England Technical Advisor	SE
Mandy Ford	Winchester City Council	WCC
Leigh Pullan	LA architects	LA

	<b>MATTERS DISCUSSED:</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>BY</b>
	<b>Parking Area</b>		
1.01	SE stated that the 12nr accessible parking spaces is below SE guidance and suggested that this be increased by 2nr to 3nr accessible parking bays.	WCC to review.	-
1.02	SE stated that a clear sightline should be maintained from the car park drop off area to the main entrance. BDP to advise that this is allowed within the landscape design.	BDP.	-
	<b>Entrance Doors</b>		
1.03	SE stated that the main entrance revolving doors were not compliant with Sport England Guidance 'Accessible Sports Facilities' and did not comply with Doc M. LA explained that the entrance strategy included automatic revolving doors with accessible automatic sliding pass doors either side of the revolving doors which would be clearly identifiable on approach to the building. This conformed with Doc M and provided environmental benefits and user/staff comfort within the main entrance area.	WCC/LA to review.	-
	<b>Reception Desk</b>		
1.04	SE stated that some operators are choosing podium style reception desks in lieu of the traditional multi-person reception desks and suggested that WCC may wish to review this with potential operators. LA were concerned that this style of reception would raise security issues as staff member and tills would be accessible to the public.	WCC to review	-

	<b>Hydrotherapy Reception</b>		
1.05	SE questioned the need for a separate reception to the hydrotherapy suite stating that this is valuable space. LA/WCC explained that this was a requirement of The Pinder Trust, Sparx and Physiotherapy and Sports Injury Clinic. SE suggested that WCC review this with potential operators and a decision made as to how this will be managed.	WCC to review	-
	<b>Lifts</b>		
1.06	SE stated that 2nr lifts were recommended within Sport England Guidance ' <i>Accessible Sports Facilities</i> '. LA confirmed that the 1nr lift proposed complied with Doc M and BS 8300-2 2018 and would be specified to meet access requirements.	WCC/LA to review.	-
	<b>Child Drop Off to Teaching Pool</b>		
1.07	SE agreed that a shoes off area inside the wet changing room entrance doors prior to walking through the wet changing area to drop off their children would be beneficial. SE would not recommend parent seating area within the teaching pool.	WCC/LA to review.	-
	<b>Wet Changing Village</b>		
1.08	SE confirmed that there appeared to be a good level of changing, locker, shower and wc provisions within the wet changing area.	Note	-
1.09	SE suggested that the male and female showers may be better located where the male and female WCs are currently proposed. LA explained that the WCs are closer to the pools allowing easier access for people (particularly children) using the pools. Also, it is accepted that people will access their lockers prior to post swim showering. This approach was discussed agreed by Swim England.	Note	-
	<b>Pool Hall</b>		
1.10	SE recommended stepped access be provided to the main pool in accordance with Sport England Guidance ' <i>Accessible Sports Facilities</i> ' stating that customers prefer them. LA confirmed that fixed stepped access, and ceiling track hoists were proposed to the hydrotherapy pool and adjustable stepped access linked to the mobile floor, and submersible lift proposed to the teaching pool for accessibility. Staff assisted accessible hoists and portable pool lifts allowing independent use were proposed to the main pool. This strategy was developed in consultation with the Inclusivity Advisory Group.	WCC/LA to review.	-

1.11	SE welcomed glazing to south elevations of the pool with views out to the landscape and active views into the building providing that brise soleil was included to prevent solar gains and glare. LA confirmed brise soleil was proposed to the south elevations of the main pool and teaching pool halls and thermal modelling calculations had been undertaken to limit overheating.	Note	-
1.12	SE confirmed that the layout and orientation of the pool halls allowed sufficient area for lifeguards to be positioned facing into the building away from the direction of the glazing.	Note	-
1.13	SE welcomed rooflights and louvred ceiling over the main pool to provide diffused natural light within the space.	Note	-
1.14	SE confirmed that the slot glazing along the east elevation of the main pool provided a good visual connection for swimmers to the external landscape. The low-level glazing would avoid glare on the water surface.	Note	-
<b>First Aid Room</b>			
1.15	SE accepted the location of the first aid room to the north east corner of the main pool allowing emergency services access to the rear parking area.	Note	-
<b>Ground Floor Dry Changing</b>			
1.16	SE agreed that moving the lockers within the dry changing area into the circulation corridor to increase the number of changing spaces in the changing rooms would be beneficial and provide greater security for the lockers.	Note	-
<b>Sports Hall</b>			
1.17	SE accepted that rebound screens and netting separating the sports hall perimeter from the ground floor circulation and galley area.	Note	-
1.18	SE welcomed the proposal to include an acoustic curtain to divide the sports hall which would improve inclusivity.	Note	-
1.19	SE welcomed the glazing to east elevation of the sports hall to providing natural light within the sports hall and improving the quality of the space for sport and community use. Blinds or curtains are to be provided to screen the glazing for some sports/user groups. LA confirmed that these were proposed.	Note	-
1.20	LA requested SE thoughts on the introduction of translucent panels above the curtain walling to provide additional diffused light within the sports hall. SE accepted this proposal if blinds or curtains were provided to screen the polycarbonate for some sports/user groups.	Note	-

1.21	SE stated that a semi- sprung timber floor conforming to BS EN 14904 alone is not accepted by the ECB but acknowledged that this only becomes an issue if cricket is the primary sport to be played within the sports hall. SE acknowledged that this was not the case at Winchester Sport and Leisure Park accepting that cricket mats would be installed over the timber floor during cricket sessions. LA to confirm the roll out cricket mat specification compatible with ECB requirements during RIBA Stage 4 for inclusion in the FF&E schedule.	LA	-
	<b>Fitness Suite</b>		
1.22	SE considered the 1000m2 fitness suite to be an appropriate size for WS+LP.	Note	-
1.23	SE recommended that the first-floor steelwork around the double height clipnclimb/soft play area be designed to allow future installation of a first floor to provide additional space within the fitness suite. WCC confirmed that this would benefit the scheme.	WCC/LA to review	-
	<b>Spinning Studio</b>		
1.24	SE questioned the form of the spinning studio in relation to spin cycle trends including instructor led rides and screened interactive rides. SE agreed that the proposed design allowed for both, with cyclists focusing towards the north-east corner of the studio for instructor led rides and south-west corner of the studio allowing a curved screen for screened rides.	Note	-
	<b>Studios</b>		
1.25	SE stated that the operator may require a 60/40 studio 01 and 02 area split in lieu of the 50/50 split proposed. SE suggested that WCC review this with potential operators.	WCC to review.	-
	<b>Additional Comments</b>		
1.26	SE were positive towards the proposed design and quality and requested that they be kept informed of any amendments to the scheme in line with their comments.	Note	-