



Norfolk County Council

Consultation - Re-use of Education Playing Field Land (Section 77) Part of the Fakenham Old College Site, Wells Road, Fakenham

Overview

Norfolk County Council proposes to re-use 22,240m squared (5.5 acres) of playing field on the Fakenham Old College Site, Wells Road, Fakenham, NR21 9H under Section 77 of the Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998.

Before we can re-use this playing field it will be necessary for Norfolk County Council to apply for written consent from the Secretary of State. It is only at that point that we may be able to change the use of this land.

Should approval be given by the Secretary of State, it would enable Norfolk County Council to move ahead with its plans to build a new specialist school for up to 100 children and young people with autism in north Norfolk, subject to planning and other approvals.

This plan is part of Norfolk County Council's £120m programme to transform special needs education in the county.

The playing fields have not been used by a school or any community group for approximately 20 years. Although the fields are not being used, Norfolk County Council continues to maintain them and there are ongoing costs for the upkeep of these fields.

We are consulting all interested parties on this proposed re-use of land, particularly community groups, local schools, local sports clubs, residents and businesses in the area.

Why we are consulting

We want to find out what people think about this proposal. We are consulting through:

- This online consultation, which is also available as a paper copy
- Letter to local schools, community groups and other key stakeholders

We are consulting from 13th December 2019 to 24th January 2020. Please note that if we receive any consultation responses after this date we cannot guarantee that we will be able to take them into account.

Drop in sessions

We are also holding two drop sessions for anyone who would like to come along and meet officers from Norfolk County Council and find out more about our proposal. The details for these sessions are below:

Date: Monday, 6th January 2020

Venue: Fakenham Community Centre, Oak Street, Fakenham, NR21 9DY

Time: 10am to 12:30pm and 2pm to 6pm

We will feed back the findings from our consultation to the Secretary of State as part of the evidence they will use to help them come to a decision about our proposals. If you need a copy of this consultation document in paper or in a different format please email:

schoolreview@norfolk.gov.uk

Personal information, confidentiality and data protection

We will use any personal information to understand how different groups of people feel about proposals to reuse the Education Playing Field Land (Section 77) part of the Fakenham Old College Site on the Wells Road, Fakenham.

We will process any personal information we receive from you in line with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (Regulation (EU)2016/679), the Data Protection Act 2018 and Norfolk County Council's data protection policy and guidelines. This means that Norfolk County Council will hold your personal data and only use it for the purpose of which it was collected, being this consultation. You can find a copy of our privacy statement at <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/privacy>.

We want to feedback your views to The Secretary of State.

Under our record management policy we will keep this information for five years. We also, under normal circumstances, do not pass your personal data on to anyone else. However, we may be asked under access to information laws to publish or disclose some, or all, of the information you provide in response to this consultation. We will only do this where such disclosure will comply with such relevant information laws which include the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Data Protection Act 2018 and the Environmental Information Regulations Act 2004.

You can choose not take part in the consultation, to stop responding at any time or to ignore any personal questions that you do not want to answer. You can choose to provide your email address if you would like to save your response before submitting it or download a copy of our final response.

Please tick to confirm that you have read the personal information, confidentiality and data protection statement.

Yes, I have read the personal information, confidentiality and data protection statement

About You

We want to hear from a wide range of people. We will use your answers to help us understand which sections of the community have responded to our consultation. You do not have to answer these questions if you do not want to.

We want your views

Has your school / community group used this playing field in the last 20 years?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide the date you last used the playing fields

Are you in favour of this proposal?

Yes

No

Neither

Don't know

Please give us your comments on this proposal?

Please tell us who you are:

- Pupil
- Parent / Guardian
- Member of school staff
- Member of local sports
- Member of a local community group
- School governor
- Local resident
- Local business representative

Are you....?

- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to say
- Prefer to self-describe

If you prefer to self-describe please write in below:

How old are you?

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65-74
- 75-84
- 85 or older
- Prefer not to say

What is your ethnic group? Please select one only.

- White British
- White Irish
- White Other
- Mixed / multiple ethnic group
- Asian or Asian British
- Black African / Caribbean / Black British

Other Ethnic group – please describe below

What is your first language?

Please write your answer here:

If you need a copy of this consultation document in a different format please email haveyoursay@norfolk.gov.uk, call 0344 800 8020 or Text Relay on 18001 0344 800 8020 (textphone) and we will do our best to help.

You can send back a paper feedback form to:

Freepost Plus RTCL-XSTT-JZSK, Norfolk County Council, Ground floor - south wing, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DH.

However, if you want to help the council save money please use a stamp and send to this address: Stakeholder and Consultation Team, Norfolk County Council, Ground floor - south wing, County Hall, Martineau Lane, NR1 2DH.

You may wish to keep a copy of your response to our consultation for your own records.

Your opinions are valuable to us. Thank you for taking the time to read this document and respond.



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