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Dear Planning Policy Team,

**South Kesteven District Council – Local Plan Review – Regulation 18 Proposed
Housing and Mixed-use Site Allocations Consultation**

Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above consultation. Sport England's comments on the proposed housing and mixed-use site allocations are provided below.

In addition to the site-specific comments provided we would also draw your attention to our comments in our response dated 23rd April 2024 on housing allocations which include existing sports and recreational buildings and land, including playing fields, and housing allocations adjoining playing fields and sports facilities.

If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on the detail listed below.

Yours sincerely,

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Site:	Comment
SKPR-323 (Grantham)	<p>Land north of Gorse Lane (874 units)</p> <p>New residential development will generate demand for sporting provision. The existing provision within an area may not be able to accommodate this increased demand without exacerbating existing and/or predicted future deficiencies. Therefore, Sport England considers that new developments should contribute towards meeting the demand that they generate through the provision of on-site facilities and/or providing additional capacity off-site. There is therefore a need for the development principles to include the provision of new sports facilities and playing fields within the site and/or contributions towards off-site provision.</p>
SKPR-334 (Grantham)	<p>Land south of Gorse Lane (mixed use) (530 dwellings)</p> <p>As above, there is a need for the development principles to include the provision of new sports facilities and playing fields within the site and/or contributions towards off-site provision.</p>
SKPR-278 (Grantham)	<p>Spitalgate Heath – Garden Village</p> <p>The proposed changes to this policy do not address Sport England’s previous comments on this policy. This policy should be amended as sets out in our previous comments to ensure that existing sports facilities are retained or replaced and the development contributes to meeting the demand generated for sporting provision.</p>
SKPR-279 (Grantham)	<p>Rectory Farm (Phase 2)</p> <p>The proposed changes to this policy do not address Sport England’s previous comments on this policy. This policy should be amended as sets out in our previous comments to ensure that the development contributes to meeting the demand generated for sporting provision.</p>

<p>SKPR-280 (Grantham)</p>	<p>Rectory Farm (Phase 3)</p> <p>The proposed changes to this policy do not address Sport England’s previous comments on this policy. This policy should be amended as sets out in our previous comments to ensure that the development contributes to meeting the demand generated for sporting provision.</p>
<p>SKPR-65 (Grantham)</p>	<p>Prince William of Gloucester Barracks (up to 4000 units)</p> <p>The proposed changes to this policy do not address Sport England’s previous comments on this policy. This policy should be amended as sets out in our previous comments to ensure that existing sports facilities are retained or replaced and the development contributes to meeting the demand generated for sporting provision.</p>
<p>SKPR-62 (Grantham)</p>	<p>The Grantham Church High School Playing Fields, Queensway (88 units)</p> <p>This site contains playing field which would need to be protected from being built on unless one of the three exceptions in paragraph 104 of the NPPF apply.</p>
<p>SKPR-281 (Stamford)</p>	<p>Stamford North (1,350 units)</p> <p>The proposed changes to this policy do not address Sport England’s previous comments on this policy. This policy should be amended as sets out in our previous comments to ensure that existing sports facilities are retained or replaced and the development contributes to meeting the demand generated for sporting provision.</p>
<p>SKPR-330 (The Deepings)</p>	<p>Land east of Linchfield Road (840 units)</p>

	<p>There is a need for the development principles to include the provision of new sports facilities and playing fields within the site and/or contributions towards off-site provision. Please see our previous comments in relation to the need for allocations within the Deepings area to contribute towards an indoor sports facility.</p>
<p>SKPR-37 (The Deepings)</p>	<p>Litchfield Road (680 units)</p> <p>The proposed changes to this policy do not address Sport England's previous comments on this policy. This policy should be amended as sets out in our previous comments to ensure that the development contributes to meeting the demand generated for sporting provision.</p>
<p>SKPR-327 (Barrowby)</p>	<p>Land east of The Drift and south of Low Road, Barrowby (455 units)</p> <p>There is a need for the development principles to include the provision of new sports facilities and playing fields within the site and/or contributions towards off-site provision.</p>