

Planning application – SMD/2025/0335 – Erection of new changing rooms at Checkley Cricket Club, Uttoxeter Road, Checkley, Staffs. ST10 4NA.

Thank you for forwarding the above planning application (**SMD/2025/0335**).

Leisure and Environmental Services are responsible for providing comments in relation to play, open space provision, leisure opportunities, and Active Design.

This application concerns the provision of new changing facilities at Checkley Cricket Club. Leisure and Environmental Services are committed to promoting opportunities for residents of all ages and abilities to participate in a wide range of physical activities, and we recognise the vital role that local sports clubs play in achieving this objective.

We are keen to support clubs in attracting and retaining members, and one of the most effective ways of doing so is through the improvement of facilities. For this reason, we are supportive of the application.

The development will also enhance provision for inclusive sport and encourage greater participation among women and girls, which is another strong justification for the proposed improvements.

The plans indicate that the new changing facilities will be located on the outer edge of the site, ensuring there is no impact on the available playing surface. In addition, the new facility will create an opportunity for the main pavilion to be upgraded, including the installation of accessible toilets.

Regards,

Partnership and Engagement Lead

Leisure and Environmental Services

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