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Dear Mr Turner,

Re: Temporary Floodlighting at Paddington Recreational Ground

I refer to your letter dated 27/7/00, which I received on 31/7/00 regarding the above site.

The mere fact that the lights are on wheels does not necessarily mean planning permission will not be required. The need for planning permission will depend on matters such as the degree of permanency of their location, intensity of use and dependency on permanent fixed supports such as electricity power points.

Whilst it is likely that planning permission may be required this is not a straightforward issue and more information will be required before a formal view can be taken. However you may be interested to know that a car port put on wheels was deemed to require planning permission notwithstanding it was mobile and of temporary nature.

I suggest an application should be made for a certificate of lawful proposed development with supporting information as to why permission is not required. The sort of information I will need will include the following:

- Drawings showing the size and design of the floodlights.
- Where will they be located around the pitch?
- Where will they be stored - the store may require planning permission.
- How many days/evenings the floodlights will be used over the course of the year?
- The times of day they will be used.
- How will the mobile floodlights be powered - mobile generator (this may cause a noise issue and the noise team should be consulted) or by a permanent fixed power point.
- Will the floodlights be only used and owned by the Hampstead and Westminster Hockey Club or will other organisations be allowed to use them?

I can advise you that previous proposals to floodlight the pitch raised objections from local residents and should planning permission be required their views would be taken into consideration. This does not necessarily mean planning permission would be refused but such a proposal is likely to be contentious and will need careful consideration before a recommendation is made to the relevant planning committee.

Yours sincerely,



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