



Department: Environment and Leisure

Acting Director: Peter Rogers C.P.F.A, M.I.P.D

My Reference Leisure Contracts Manager

Ms Sarah Turnill
Secretary
Hampstead and Westminster Hockey Club
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Dear Ms Turnill

PADDINGTON RECREATION GROUND

Thank you for your letter dated 23rd November 1999 regarding the floodlighting of the water based pitch at Paddington Recreation Ground.

I have spoken to the Planning Department regarding the proposal to install floodlighting on the site. They informed me that a number of years ago a similar exercise was pursued resulting in a vociferous rejection of the project from local residents. In Jackie Cutt's letter dated 21st July 1998 to Peter Boizot it was made clear that there was little possibility of planning permission being given to floodlight the track pitch. The position of the City Council has also been explained to both Peter Boizot and Nicholas Coleman.

I understand that you are keen to implement floodlighting to provide an improved training facility and extend the hours of possible use, however, the needs of the local residents must be taken into consideration. In addition, the Council does not have any available funds that could be allocated to the project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Mark Fisher
Leisure and Sports Contract Manager

- cc. Councillor Djanogly (Chairman Environment and Leisure Committee)
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