

**Representer: Tring Sports Forum**  
**Respondent reference: ID 489516**  
**Dacorum Core Strategy – Informal consultation in relation to queries emerging from the hearings**  
**Issue 12: Tring; Question 12B: new Paragraph 22.5; Sports Clubs**

1. We welcome Dacorum BC's commitment to updating the sports studies before the Site Allocations are developed, although we do hope that this exercise will include a new study rather than a mere "updating" of the discredited KKP study from 2006. We think it important that the Core Strategy specifically refers to the Site Allocations document as the vehicle by which the sports studies will be reviewed and any identified needs addressed.

2. We also welcome the Council's agreement, expressed at the Hearing Session held on the afternoon of Thursday 11 October 2012, that Tring Sports Forum (and Dacorum Sports Network) would be involved in the preparation of the new study.

3. Finally, we believe that the Council's suggested further minor change to paragraph 22.5 of the Core Strategy set out in Annex A of its response should be amplified to read: "There is an active sporting community in Tring. The well supported clubs wish to improve and extend indoor and outdoor provision *to meet identified demand*".

As the sub-paragraph stands, it may be thought that the clubs are self-seeking (and striving to increase demand where none presently exists). The evidence we have previously supplied clearly demonstrates that the clubs are seeking to provide and manage local social infrastructure required by the community today and through the period covered by the Core Strategy.