

Stadium Development Planning Considerations Checklist

The local planning authority should take **all** of the following into consideration when it considers a major sports stadium proposal:

Consultation

- Establishment of a Community Liaison Group (See FSC Liaison Group Template), which should continue for the life of the stadium and be protected by a section 106 Planning Agreement.

Traffic

- The suitability and capacity of links to the main transport routes and services
- The ability of the existing or proposed transport infrastructure to cope with the predicted levels of traffic
- The development of an effective and financially sustainable Travel Management Plan including the provision of adequate car parks and car parking areas in suitable locations
- The capacity of pedestrian routes to cope with spectators and residents in safety

Intrusion

- The acceptability of expected noise levels
- Restrictions on the number and range of events
- Restriction on the days and time of events
- The effect of floodlighting on surrounding areas
- The development impact of any new structures on the surrounding area
- The environmental impact of the proposed use and development

Neighbourhood Capacity

- The effect on emergency service provision to surrounding areas on match days
- The capacity of the local neighbourhood services and facilities to cope with the expected visitor levels

Options

- An assessment of the merits and suitability of alternative locations compared with the current proposal

Requirements

The FSC recommends that neighbouring communities are involved through all appropriate stages of the development process, including being involved in and have access to the results of:

- A sequential test
- Transportation study and Travel Plan
- Environmental impact analysis
- Economic appraisal
- Emergency services report and emergency plan for the stadium and the neighbourhood
- Noise, air pollution, daylight and floodlight impact assessment
- TV and radio reception analysis
- A stadium use plan setting out the range of events, the frequency and time limits of such events
- Resident access and parking plan
- Clean environment/litter plan
- Negotiated community benefits (i.e. Section 106 Agreement)
- Spectator policing and stewarding policy
- Community use of the stadium facilities agreement

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