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Secretary

High Knightswood and Anniesland Community Council

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Dear Ms Malloy

**COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER –
NETHERTON BOWLS AND PLAYING FIELDS**

High Knightswood & Anniesland Community Council (HKACC) has received notification of the Community Asset Transfer application for Netherton Bowls & Playing Fields by North Kelvin Sports Development Group (NKSDG).

HKACC are very interested in plans to improve community facilities and have previously expressed interest to engage with Glasgow Life or other parties about the site.

HKACC would ask that no decision is made on this application, and it is **not progressed** any further, until genuine consultation with the local community has taken place.

Local residents and community will be particularly affected by any changes to the grounds and their use. [The Community Empowerment \(Scotland\) Act 2015](#) aims to strengthen the voices of the local community in the decisions that matter to them. However, it would seem that no consultation has taken place prior to this application being made.

HKACC have concerns about increased traffic on a residential road and increased parking spaces required. Contrary to what is stated in the application, there is *not* on-street parking available.

Increased use of this site for the purpose of football matches and functions will considerably change a quiet neighbourhood. There will inevitably be increased levels of noise and, in addition to this, immediate local residents will be impacted by floodlighting. Discussions need to take

place, and assurances given, about times and frequency of use so that any negative impact on local residents is minimised.

Netherton is in an area of high flood risk and any changes to the groundworks and buildings could create more problems or accelerate existing flood issues. HKACC would request further details on how flooding will be addressed and if any sustainable urban drainage system (SUDS) will be introduced.

NKSDG is not currently resident in HKACC and it is questionable what benefits this proposal will bring to the people in the local community of High Knightswood & Anniesland. It is therefore imperative that this application is halted until meaningful engagement with the local community has taken place.

I would be obliged if you could acknowledge receipt of this communication by email to hello@hka.scot.

Kind regards

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