Councillor Comments: Friday 24th April

PA20/02635

Construction of a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) canopy (decision PA18/03381) with variation of conditions 2 and 3

St Stephens Primary School Long Park Road St Stephens Saltash Cornwall PL12 4AQ

Councillor Richard Bickford:

I will be abstaining on this one.

Councillor Gloria Challen:

I shall declare an interest as my daughter works there.

Councillor Jean Dent:

I am abstaining as our family has a connection with the school.

Councillor Mark Fox:

I would refuse this application on the noise and light and also don't see the need to extend the hours.

Councillor Sarah Gillies:

Recommend approval

Councillor Sheila Lennox-Boyd:

Councillor Sarah Martin:

I'm abstaining from this vote as my children attend the school.

Council Steve Miller: Friday 24th April

Due to the extent of the additional time requested, and the commensurate disturbance by access as well as use in a predominantly residential area, I do not support this application.

Councillor Julia Peggs: DD Wednesday 15th April

I am unable to comment/ vote on this application. The planning application for St Stephen. I have to declare an interest.

Councillor Averil Pinckney:

Because of my connection with the School I am Abstaining.

Councillor Mike Parker:

Councillor Bill Phillips:

Approved.

Councillor Julie Rance:

I will also vote refuse on this one my son used to attend Karate there within the school building so this clearly isn't going to be the only opportunity for the school to raise much needed extra income through renting part of their property

Councillor Brenda Samuels:

I would not be in favour of this being used by anyone other than the pupils of the school especially late into the evening. The sound fencings look pretty awful and ok you could say it would reduce the noise but it is a primary school and one would expect the school to be closed after 7pm in the evening which is what the currently planning permission allows.

I am voting against the applications.

Councillor Pete Samuels:

I will not raise any objection to this.

Councillor David Yates: Dated Friday 23rd April

"I originally proposed refusal on the grounds of my interpretation of the information in the application "as written". With the additional information now provided and having reviewed this application again I would now agree that we recommend approval provided that some additional requirements are included (see below).

The fundamental issue is the balance between increased use, and presumably income, for the school and nuisance to nearby residents.

The key issues, as I see it, are possible light and noise leakage from the MUGA through (and over?) the fence to be constructed round the MUGA and whether the resulting ambient levels in the nearest dwellings will be acceptable if the current times of usage (and numbers using the facility) are increased as proposed.

The application should only be allowed if:

The design and location of the noise barrier are specified to control both light and sound leakage from the MUGA and the resulting construction achieves these ends.

To prove achievement, the lighting and barrier should be installed. Noise and light levels (when dark) should then be measured "during the day" and then extension of the usage period should be allowed if the resulting predicted "week-end and night-time levels" can be demonstrated to be acceptable.

Occasional monitoring should be carried out to confirm acceptability.

I have no objection to use by people other than the school's students providing that those involved are part of recognised organisations and arrangements are made to control "out of hours" arrival and departure nuisance.