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Chobham Parish Council: comment on Rugby Club site (Chobham settlement area)

The Parish Council is aware that the Rugby Club is actively looking to move and that discussions with developers are currently ongoing. This would be in tandem with the development of housing on the existing site.

The Rugby Club shared its plans, which include an identified site it intends to move to, at a meeting of the Parish Council's Planning Committee on 27th October 2020. The published minutes of that meeting include a summary of the plans.

Thank you.

[The relevant extract from the Minutes of 27/10/20 follows. The Minutes document as published will accompany this submission]

6. Briefing from Chobham Rugby Club regarding the club's future plans

The Facilities Manager and the Committee Chair from Chobham Rugby Club updated the Committee on the growing success of the club and their plans to relocate to a larger site. It was noted that demand for participation was high, and that this participation was inclusive across different sections of the community. The club's commitment to staying within Chobham was reiterated.

The club was hoping to secure an identified site on Scotts Grove Road subject to obtaining suitable planning arrangements for both the existing Fowlers Wells site (a site included in the SHBC Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment) and the proposed new site. Planning discussions had taken place with SHBC, with an approximate two year timescale anticipated for an application to come forward. In response to concerns around traffic, the club advised that sustainable transport options were being considered.