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Dear Annie,

As you know, the cabinet requested last year that officers should explore the shared use of school playing fields and avoid fencing them off to the public unless there were very strong reasons for doing so. In April, cabinet asked that the community of Stoke Bishop should be consulted on whether continued shared use by Cotham School, the community and local teams who hire the pitches could be managed alongside aspirations to improve the standard of the pitches and renovate the changing rooms.

The consultation has taken place and all who responded were in favour of shared use. The cabinet has agreed that no fencing should be erected and that a working party be set up to provide dialogue between the different users of the field and to be a problem solving forum if difficulties arise.

I request that the capital programme for CYPS now be amended to reflect this decision.

Yours sincerely

Cllr Clare Champion-Smith