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FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

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**Mr C Cummings  
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Your Ref: 25/0197/FUL  
Our Ref: 00059429/683530/MD  
Website: [www.dsfire.gov.uk](http://www.dsfire.gov.uk)

Date: 03 March 2025  
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Dear Mr Cummings

**Planning Application: 25/0197/FUL**

**Site Address:** King George V Playing Fields, Topsham Road, Exeter

**Proposal:** Refurbishment and extension of sports pavilion/changing rooms, provision of full-size 3G artificial grass football pitch with floodlighting, 2 fenced play-zone facilities, upgrading of 2 existing tennis courts to form 3 floodlit covered padel courts, improvements and extensions to car parking, new cycleway and footpath access from Bridge Road, new and enhanced footways/cycleways within site and provision of new trees, orchards and associated landscape enhancements.

Thank you for consulting Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service regarding the above planning application. I have studied the drawings on the planning portal and it would appear (without prejudice) to satisfy the criteria we would require for B5 access under Building Regulations.

Access and facilities for the Fire Service are set out in detail in Approved Document B (Fire Safety) Volume 2: Buildings other than dwellings. The Fire and Rescue Authority is a statutory consultee under the current Building Regulations and will make detailed comments at that time when consulted by Local Authority Building Control (or a registered building control approver).

Yours sincerely

**Andy Aggett  
Fire Safety Inspector**

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**Chief Fire Officer – Gavin Ellis PGDip, MBA**