DELEGATED DECISION REPORT

HPK/2010/0569 **28/10/2010**	**CHAPEL MEMORIAL PARK** **ROWTON GRANGE ROAD** **CHAPEL-EN-LE-FRITH**	**MULTI USE GAMES AREA WITH POROUS BITMAC BASE & STELL FENCING. FENCING TO BE 1M HIGH TOO THE SIDE & 3M HIGH BEHIND THE GOALS** **(FULL - MINOR)**

MAIN ISSUES

- Neighbours Amenity
- Visual Amenity
- Trees

RELEVANT POLICIES

Adopted High Peak Local Plan (Saved Policies) 2008

GD2 - Built up area boundaries
GD5 Amenity
LT3 - Protection of recreational land and facilities

CONSULTATIONS

Publicity

Site Notice expiry date: 24 November 2010
Neighbour consultation period ends:23 November 2010
Press Advert: N/A

County Highways
No objections

Police Crime Prevention
No objections

Environmental Health
Guidance from Sport England is that there should be a minimum separation distance of 12m and an ideal of 30m from residential sites for floodlit MUGA's. Although it is appreciated that this is not floodlit, as it has open access, loss of amenity may be experienced by residents in the evenings in summer.

Chapel Parish Council
No objection

Tree officer: Trees to be fenced off in accordance with the submitted plan & no trees to be removed without the consent of the LPA.

Neighbours
No comments received

OFFICER COMMENTS
Planning permission is sought for the construction of a multi-use games court to replace an existing tarmaced basketball court at Chapel Memorial Park, Rowton Grange Road Chapel. The MUGA comprises a multi-use tarmac surface with goals/basketball nets at either end, surrounded by fencing 1m high to the sides and 3m high behind the goals.

The park lies within a residential area, close to the town centre, and the MUGA would be sited on the south side, adjacent to the existing play area and skate park. The park is owned by Chapel Parish Council.

There are no objections in principle to the development which only requires planning permission as a result of the 3m fencing. Although concern has been raised by Environmental Health Officers, the site, which will not be floodlit, would be sited 25m at the nearest point from the closest house – well above the minimum Sports Council recommended standard of 12m. It is likely that the level of activity on the park will increase as a result of the MUGA and there may be more noise associated with the development. However, given that the site is already a games area, and adjacent to existing skate park, it would be difficult to argue that proposal would lead to such loss of amenity that would warrant a refusal of permission. No objections to the proposal have been received from local residents.

RECOMMENDATION : **Approve**

CASE OFFICER **Sue Ashworth** **DATE** **9 December 2010**

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL MANAGER

Monitoring Summary		Sustainability	
Application type		Renewable Energy Assessment	No
Category		Sustainable Drainage	No
Existing Use		Transport/Travel Plan	No