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Dear Mr Conroy

Policy CS25 – Bristol Rovers Football Club

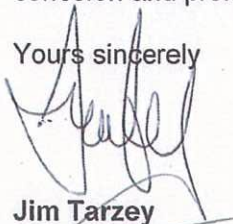
I write to confirm that we have considered and assessed the content of Policy CS25 – Communities of the North Fringe of Bristol Urban Area, in particular paragraph 6b of the policy which supports the provision of a major sports stadium with associated facilities which would be available for community use. On behalf of Bristol Rovers Football Club, Pegasus Planning support Policy CS25.

As you are aware, Bristol Rovers Football Club has submitted a planning application to develop a new Football Stadium in conjunction with the University of the West of England (UWE) adjacent to the university campus at Frenchay (the UWE Stadium). The application is due to be determined at Committee on the 19th July 2012.

Bristol Rovers Football Club are keen to develop a state of the art, purpose built training ground, education facility and community facilities which is within close proximity and easily accessible from the proposed UWE stadium. A site within the North Fringe would provide an excellent location for such a facility, and provide significant benefits for the new neighbourhoods, as well as the existing population of the North Fringe. Existing and proposed transport routes will ensure that a site within the former 'airfield' is easily accessible to the local community and wider population.

Evidence shows that significant social and economic benefits are delivered by football facilities within local communities. In line with the Council's vision for the North Fringe, such a facility would therefore provide a catalyst for community cohesion and promote sustainable economic growth and regeneration.

Yours sincerely



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