



**Cambridge St Giles Cricket Club  
January 2024**

Cambridge St Giles Cricket Club are pleased to submit this planning application for the demolition of the existing cricket pavilion and changing rooms and the construction of a new purpose-built cricket pavilion from Passmores, a specialist manufacturer<sup>1</sup>.

The new pavilion will be a single-story prefabricated building which will be situated in a similar location to the existing buildings on site at the north-eastern end of the cricket ground.



**Approximate location of the  
existing and proposed  
pavilion buildings.**

Source: Google

The current cricket pavilion is in a dilapidated state and is no longer fit for purpose. This application has been prepared to ensure that adequate playing and practice facilities are provided for club members, visitors and supporters moving forward. This is also to ensure the long-term sustainability of the existing junior and adult programmes.

Cambridge St Giles CC aspires to be a fair, inclusive and welcoming club. In this respect, it is recognised that improvements to the current physical facilities, for instance, ensuring an appropriate

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.passmores.co.uk/timber-buildings/timber-sports-pavilions>

standard of changing rooms and bathrooms, is necessary as part of wider club commitments to ensure that the club is playing its part in making cricket an inclusive and accessible sport to all those who play and support it. The new purpose-built pavilion will assist in best achieving these aspirations and to sustain the on-going participation in the sport which has been a well documented issue for many cricket clubs. Cambridge St Giles CC is aware that a proactive approach is necessary to address this. The poor condition of the existing pavilion and changing facilities is clearly illustrated in the photos below.

In terms of the proposed structure, the pavilion would be a similar scale to the existing buildings on the site and visually, would result in an improvement from the current condition. The scale, design and rather secluded location of the building ensures that there would be no harmful impacts on the wider character or appearance of the area, neighbouring residential amenity or to the significance of any nearby heritage assets.

The building would be constructed to modern design standards which offers a range of benefits from the current condition including energy efficiency. Whilst no intensification of car parking is proposed, the club is already actively encouraging car sharing for players and supporters for training and games to further reduce need for vehicular trips. This planning application is supported by ecological and arboricultural assessments and the club have sought to avoid and minimise possible impacts as far as possible when considering the building footprint. Recommended mitigations and enhancements are set out within the assessments above. The club will be working on a replacement planting scheme.

The pavilion is to secure the on-going sustainability of the existing junior and adult club programmes through the provision of appropriate facilities and would continue to be ancillary to the recreational use of the cricket club. Whilst the club encourages cricket participation, no significant intensification to the site is proposed as a result of this application.

I trust that the information in this submission is sufficient to determine this application. However, if you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

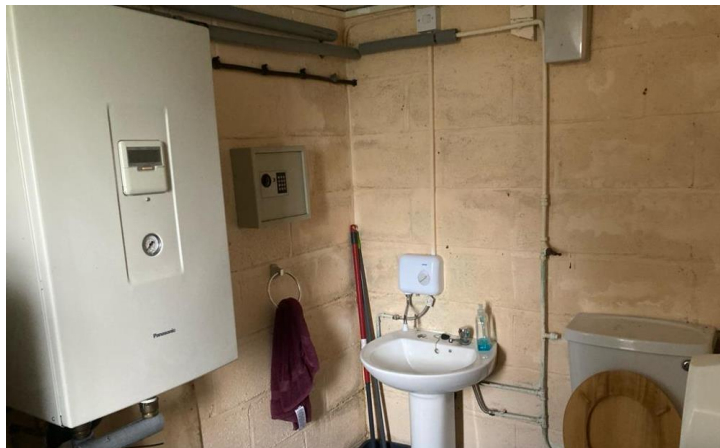
Yours sincerely,

James Cummins, Club Member and Agent

Chris Badger, Club President and Applicant (on behalf of Cambridge St Giles CC)

**Existing pavilion and changing conditions**

*Pavilion building and interiors*



*Changing room entrance and interiors*

