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*Dear Alistair,*

Thank you for taking the time to come and see me in January regarding GBHC's requirement to use the HMS SULTAN Fort Grange astro pitch from 15 Apr - 21 Jul 18. Having reviewed my decision and discussed your requirement with the CO and PTI staff, I am pleased to say that SULTAN is prepared to extend the use of the Fort Grange astro pitch to GBHC for Youth training only on Wednesday evenings from 1800 - 1900 and Saturday mornings from 0900 - 1000. The SARC astro pitch will not be available for use during this time.

Due to the HMS SULTAN Summer Show, no training will be able to take place on Sat 16 Jun 18.

All previous requirements for entry to SULTAN as laid down in my previous letters remain extant.

I have asked my staff to confirm the correct maintenance procedures are being conducted on the pitches and to ensure the contractor is carrying out this maintenance. However, whilst I would like to maintain both the pitches and floodlights in pristine condition, I am extremely limited by funding and I have to prioritise accordingly. Therefore I ask that you conduct a dynamic risk assessment before each training session and it will be up to GBHC to decide if the facilities provided are at the standard required and therefore whether your training can go ahead safely.

May I wish GBHC all the best for the remainder of the season and please do not hesitate to contact me if further information is required.

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