

DRAFT as at 24/04/23

Dear Neighbour

Boxing Event at AFC Bournemouth's Vitality Stadium

You may already be aware that on Saturday 27th May Vitality Stadium is to be the venue for a World Title fight between local boxer Chris Billam-Smith and Laurence Okolie, together with a small number of Undercard boxing matches.

We wanted to write to you to provide you with some information about the event, allay some concerns you may have and open a line of communication regarding any future queries as plans progress.

In terms of timings, the gates will open at 4.30pm with the first Undercard match planned for 7p.m. Finish time is 11.30pm, although this could in fact be earlier, depending on whether the Title match goes to the full 12 rounds.

There will obviously be a period of preparation inside the stadium in the days immediately prior to the event, such as the erection of the boxing ring in the middle of the pitch, and this work is planned between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m. The only time when work will be undertaken later will be up to 3 hours immediately after the event finishes, when a controlled level of breakdown will occur. Sounds checks are currently scheduled to take place between [tba] and [tba] on [the day of the event].

We are in the process of finalising our plans regarding traffic management and are in liaison with the Police and Council regarding this. We have identified a number of potential means of keeping as much vehicular traffic as possible away from the vicinity of the stadium.

We will operate a Residents Hotline a few days before the event and of course on the day itself and will ensure you have this number in good time. In the meantime, you are welcome to contact me if you require any information.

Yours faithfully