

Paul Foley

From: Griswold, Sam Parsons [spgriswold@middlebury.edu]
Sent: Saturday, February 11, 2017 6:35 AM
To: Paul Foley
Subject: Turf proposal

Dear Mr. Foley/Commission,

I am writing to express my concern over the turf field proposal.

While I wholly support any upgrading of the athletic fields/facilities on-Island, I don't believe that field turf is the right approach.

I don't know enough to weigh in on the environmental issues, but as someone who played high school soccer on the Vineyard, then in college, I can say unequivocally that the majority of injuries I sustained came from playing on turf fields, including tendinitis and shin splints from the impact, which still persist today.

I would much rather see the commission look into improving the existing fields.

Sincerely,
Sam Griswold