

# Comments for Planning Application TP/ED/26/0104

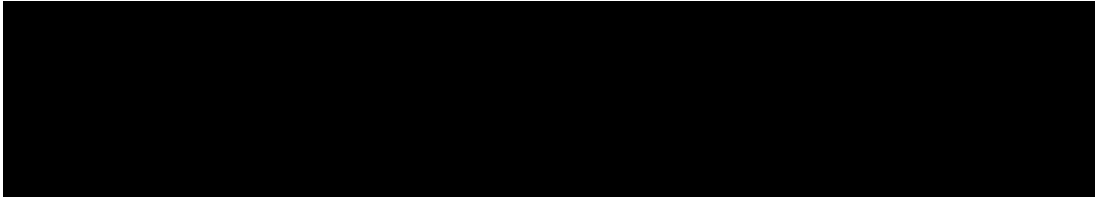
## Application Summary

Application Number: TP/ED/26/0104

Address: Whitegates Park Middlemuir Road Lenzie East Dunbartonshire

Proposal: Erection of a secondary school including road access, landscaping, car parking, sports pitches, recreational areas and associated development.

Case Officer: Fraser McNair



## Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: is fanciful coupled with the fact that of almost 1400 pupils 8 cycle to school.

The assessment identifies the key pedestrian routes that will be used for the purposes of the school due to the relocation of it to WP Strathkelvin Railway Path (SRP), Middlemuir Avenue, a new public path to the south of the school building and a diverted path from the SRP to Parkview court. By virtue of the Land Reform Scotland Act 2003 6 (b) (iii) access rights to these paths would be denied to the public and in consequence I object to the proposal.

I think it is reasonable to conclude that a school is a significant travel generating use and that the proposal site is currently accessed on foot and by modes of transport which do not involve the use of cars and in consequence has little impact on the surrounding road network.

LDP2 Policy 11 outlines 3 criteria A-C where development proposals that generate significant travel-generating uses will not be supported if any one of the criteria applies to a proposal:

A. There are no immediate links to walking or cycle networks or where links cannot be easily delivered

B. There is no access to public transport within a 400m walk via well-lit, safe and all-weather routes that have been designed for all users

C. There would be clear reliance on access by private car

With regard to criteria A the assessment states "There is no coherent cycle network along which children could cycle to school. School Children would still need to cycle along roads or footpaths to access the Strathkelvin Railway Path and the proposed Academy site." Links to walking networks have been found wanting in terms of safety and there is no guarantee the required safety measures can or will be implemented.

With regard to criteria B, despite the applicants claim to the contrary, there is no access to public transport within a 400m walk via well-lit, safe and all-weather routes that have been designed

