

# 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

## Customer Details

### Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I wish to formally object to planning application TP/ED/26/0104 on material planning grounds including loss of open space, environmental harm, impacts on biodiversity and green infrastructure, transport and road safety pressures, cumulative development impacts and prematurity in relation to infrastructure capacity.

The proposal would result in the loss or significant alteration of established open space that forms part of the local green network. Under National Planning Framework 4, developments should protect and enhance biodiversity and avoid unnecessary loss of valued green infrastructure. The application does not clearly demonstrate how biodiversity will be safeguarded or enhanced, raising concerns about irreversible harm to local habitats and wildlife.

There are also serious concerns regarding transport pressures and road safety. A development of this scale will generate significant additional traffic during peak school hours. The application does not sufficiently demonstrate that the surrounding road network can safely accommodate this increase without creating congestion or additional risk for pedestrians, cyclists and residents.

In addition, the proposals appear to make limited provision for parking, particularly for part-time staff and senior pupils who may legally have access to vehicles. The absence of adequate parking provision risks displacing vehicles into surrounding residential streets, further increasing congestion and safety concerns.

The planning authority must also consider the cumulative impact of development in this area. The locality has already experienced substantial residential and infrastructure expansion over the past decade. Introducing a development of this scale risks placing unsustainable pressure on local

infrastructure, transport networks and remaining green space.

Finally, approval may be premature given unresolved concerns regarding infrastructure capacity and environmental mitigation.