

Comments for Planning Application TP/ED/26/0104

Application Summary

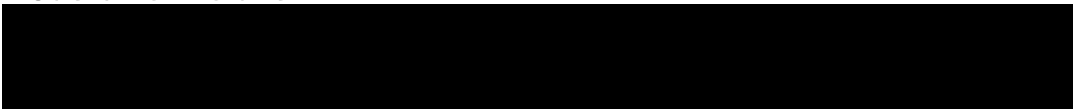
Application Number: TP/ED/26/0104

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: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I wish to formally object to the proposed development of the high school at Whitegates based on material planning considerations: Environmental risk, transport issues, noise Impact, inadequate consultation process.

Environmental Risks: As a property owner near the site, I am concerned by flood risk. Building on a site without adequate mitigations will have devastating impact on our homes. There are known problems with drainage in the park. I regularly see my street flood & this is prior to development. The developer's flood screening assertion that the site is not vulnerable contradicts SEPA & historical records. The developer has a vested interest to claim the site is safe. A clear conflict of interest. My concerns are heightened by the presence of contaminants believed to be dangerous enough to rule the park out previously. As a resident & parent, I am not reassured by the claims this site is suddenly safe.

Traffic congestion & road safety: The change of address to Middlemuir Rd suggests that this entrance will be used as a main drop off, increasing traffic. The council are unable to enforce the mitigations at the current school therefore its unlikely there will be enforceable mitigations for the new one. The surrounding roads already see congestion, parking & irresponsible behaviour from drivers. A new school will make this worse.

Noise Impact: The Noise Impact Assessment acknowledges that sports pitch activity may raise noise levels by up to 10 dB above acceptable evening background. The news that the council are extending their let on the weekends to include Sunday's from 9am add to my concerns.

Inadequate & Flawed Consultation Process: The consultation has been handled poorly with no

transparency. No compelling evidence has been shared to justify why this potentially dangerous site was chosen. Escalating costs shows there is no financial case to build here & council tax will be impacted for years. This is absolutely not the best site on that basis alone.