

Comments for Planning Application TP/ED/26/0104

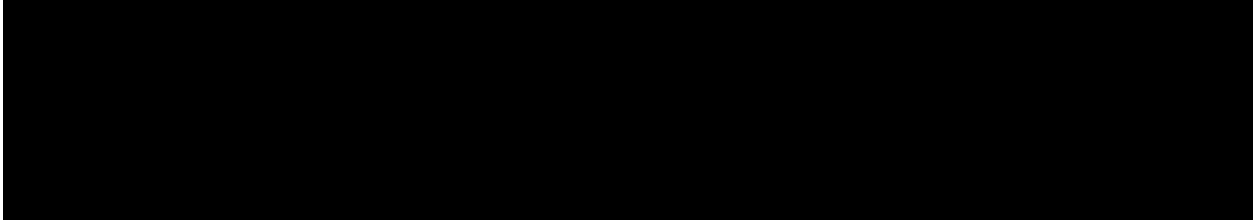
Application Summary

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:of the properties surrounding the proposal site from unacceptable levels of nuisance glare , light spillage and the impact on wildlife ,if any remain ,should this proposal be consented to and their habitat completely destroyed.

Design and access objections

The school roll for LA is a material consideration in this proposal as it is referred to and relied on throughout the proposal to justify the size and scale of the proposed development at WP.

The school roll of LA is artificially inflated due to the failure overtime to control placing requests for the school, from within East Dunbartonshire but outside the catchment area and from outside East Dunbartonshire. It is a matter of public record that almost half of the pupils attending LA, are as a result of placing requests.

I have no issue with parents or carers exercising their right to make a placing request for a school of their choice but believe that almost half the school role resulting from placing requests is unacceptable and undermines the need for catchment areas.

The failure to maintain placing requests at a reasonable level does not justify building a school that is 33% larger than it needs to be in order to accommodate children from within a catchment area.

It is a matter of public record that the projected School roll at LA is set to drop considerably by 2027-28 and that there is an opportunity to re balance the overprovision of placing request at the school whilst still making provision for a reasonable percentage of placing request and provide a school of an appropriate size and scale for the catchment area.

I object to the proposal as the school being proposed is not designed to accommodate the needs of children within the catchment area but rather the needs of those wishing to make placing requests.

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