

groundwater toward lower-lying residential properties in Lenzie and Kirkintilloch. Under **NPF4 Policy 22**, development should not be supported if it increases the risk of flooding elsewhere. The current application fails to demonstrate that these unique hydrological risks can be safely managed.

### 7. Inadequate infrastructure and Impact on Residential Amenity

Middlemuir Road and the surrounding residential streets were designed as quiet, low access roads, not as primary conduits for high-volume school traffic.

• **Objection:** The proposal will introduce an estimated 1,400 pupils plus staff, deliveries, and service vehicles onto a road network that lacks the physical width and visibility to cope safely. The increase in congestion, noise, and air pollution will severely diminish the residential amenity of Middlemuir Road and its surrounding streets. Furthermore, the lack of adequate parking and drop-off facilities within the site will lead to dangerous "overspill" parking on residential corners, creating significant hazards for local children and elderly residents..

(Please add a brief account below about why Whitegates Park matters to you personally):

3 generations of our family have concerns about the proposed building of the school at Whitegates Park - Firstly the risk of flooding to us and other low lying homes surrounding the Whitegates Park. Our garden is already prone to partial flooding following heavy rain as an underground stream reaches surface level. With the removal of the 'soak' at Whitegates Park it will potentially increase the risk of the garden flooding affecting the house itself. The council should think strongly about the potential litigation from a large number of homes surrounding Whitegates Park should the building of a school realise the risk flooding. Moreover, we have concerns that the contaminants previously identified within the proposed build area of the park may not just contaminate the local streams and rivers but with flooding contaminate the streets, homes and gardens surrounding Whitegates Park. Finally, we have concerns about the quiet and low volume access roads next to our home being insufficient to cope with the high volume school traffic causing congestion, noise and air pollution that will directly impact all of us given the unlikely hood that cars will utilise the proposed small drop off point on Kirkintilloch's initiative road. We have concerns about the lack of the safe and effective walking access for school children (no pavements on initiative road, the potentially dark and secluded shortcut access points via the walk path in the direction of Woodielee and Kirkenintilloch). To us it does not make any sense that a cheaper build at the existing school location or a build at the bog head pitches of similar distance from current location from Lenzie Academy is not the preferred option for the school development rather than a location outside of Lenzie in the neighbouring town Kirkintilloch.

### Conclusion

For the reasons above, I object and I urge the Planning Department to recommend **REFUSAL** of this application.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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