

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

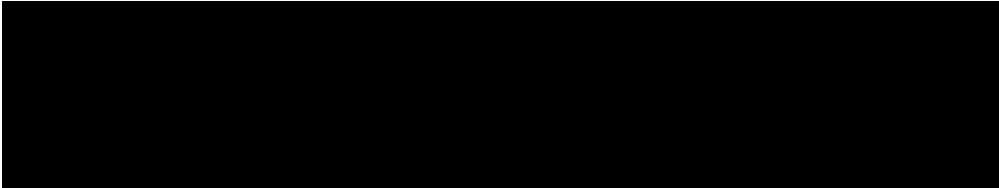
## Application Summary

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: I object to the planning application on the following grounds;

Traffic Management - no provision has been made in the surrounding roads of the whitegates park areas for residents during school hours. While some signage has been proposed there will be a likely increased burden on the surrounding roads by parents and pupils accessing the proposed site via the railway line access points on woodside avenue and larchfeild site. Insufficient provision has been made to ensure residents are not affected.

Contaminated Ground - A planning application for the recently completed ASN school was rejected at this site due to exceedances of ground contaminants. Recent GIs have also identified ground contaminants yet computer modelling has reduced the previous high risk to end users to Low. This needs to be fully explained to the lay persons, users and residents. Areas of landscaping will be using spoil from the existing site but with no land remediation strategy due to the newly assessed 'low risk' how are residents truly aware of the hazards without further explanation.

The site selection was not transparent - the site selection of this site over others is unclear in the literature and the argument for this site over others is not transparent. The benefits v cost of this site over others is not conclusive and requires reconsider.

The projected cost - The cost is reported as reaching and exceeding £135M versus the original of some £85M. It is understood that a fixed sum will be covered by the Scottish Government but the rest has to be covered by East Dunbartonshire Council. This would not seem the most prudent use of council funds given there are other lower cost options available which would be of greater

benefit to the local community while preserving a source of biodiversity and usable green space.

Local flooding - the current plans raise the ground level of playing fields. The surface water run off and mitigation has not been considered thoroughly (SEPA reports).