

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

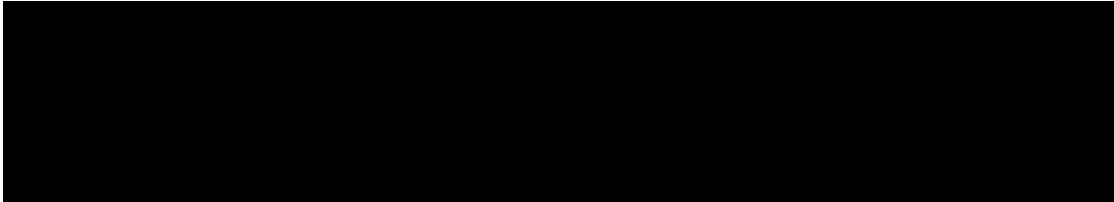
## Application Summary

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: which has not yet been submitted or subjected to the DMP.

As previously rehearsed in my opinion all reference to this inferred Park in relation to mitigation for the loss of WP cannot be considered for the reasons I have previously outlined.

My view is supported by the applicants "Sustainability Team" in their response to a request for comment "it can only be determined that the proposed mitigation site at Myrtle Avenue is a 'suitable replacement' of open space through a full review of that separate application"

The recommendations in the East Dunbartonshire Council Open Space Audit 2020 were adopted by the council whereupon the access standard, for access to a Neighbourhood Park, became a 10 minute walk or a distance of 480 metres (OSA page 22 table 7). WP is well within that standard from my home (approximately 400m). The inferred park at MA will be significantly outwith these parameters (approximately 1,400m). Therefore an inferred park at MA would not be a suitable replacement provided in a location that is convenient and accessible for me and I suspect many other users of Whitegates Park.

The comments of the councils Greenspace and Biodiversity Officer have not been made publically available therefore their response to the applicant's plans and supporting documents and compliance with national and local policy is unknown

However, the applicant relies on NPF4 Policy 3: Biodiversity claiming enhanced facilities will be provided at WP and MA to accord with this policy and criteria A of LDP2 Policy 13. As previously rehearsed the MA inferred park has to be disregarded for the reasons I outlined previously and the parts of the WP proposals that are not publically accessible must also be disregarded.

The applicant acknowledges there would be significant residual effects as a consequence of development of the WP and their own Ecological Impact Assessment (PL50) confirms neither the proposal nor inferred park individually or cumulatively achieves the

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