

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

Name

Address:

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I am writing to formally object to the proposed development of Lenzie academy high school on the green space adjacent to the property where I live.

I have significant concerns regarding the impact this development will have on the local environment, community, and my quality of life. My objections are outlined below:

Loss of Green Space

The proposed development will result in the permanent loss of valuable green space that is currently enjoyed by local residents. This area contributes positively to wellbeing, outdoor activity, and community cohesion, and its removal represents a substantial detriment to the local area.

Loss of Trees and Natural Habitat

The development will inevitably lead to the removal of established trees and vegetation. These trees not only enhance the visual landscape but also play a crucial role in carbon capture, air quality, and biodiversity.

Impact on Wildlife

The site currently supports a range of wildlife species. The construction and ongoing operation of a school will result in habitat destruction and the displacement of wildlife, which raises serious ecological concerns.

Flooding Risk

I am concerned that the development could exacerbate local flooding issues. The removal of permeable land and replacement with buildings and hard surfaces may significantly reduce natural

drainage, increasing surface water runoff and placing nearby properties at risk.

Contaminated Soil Concerns

There is insufficient clarity regarding whether thorough environmental assessments have been carried out in relation to potential soil contamination. Any disturbance of contaminated land could pose risks to both human health and the surrounding environment.

Noise Pollution

The presence of a high school in such close proximity to residential properties will inevitably lead to increased noise levels, including during school hours, break times, and extracurricular activities. This will have a negative impact on the peaceful enjoyment of my home.

Increased Traffic and Safety Concerns

The development will significantly increase traffic in the area, particularly during peak school drop-off and pick-up times. This raises concerns about road safety, congestion, and air pollution.

Obstruction of View and Visual Impact

The scale and nature of the proposed buildings will adversely affect the existing outlook from my property. The loss of open views and introduction of large structures will negatively impact the character of the area.

Lack of Public Consultation

There appears to have been insufficient meaningful consultation with local residents. Many in the community feel that their views have not been adequately sought or considered.

Lack of Clear Communication

There has been a lack of transparent and timely communication from the council regarding the details and implications of this development, making it difficult for residents to fully understand and engage with the proposal.

In conclusion, I strongly urge the council to reconsider this proposal in light of the significant environmental, social, and residential impacts outlined above. The long-term consequences of this development will be detrimental to both the local community and the natural environment.

I respectfully request that this objection be taken fully into account during the planning decision process.