

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: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: This is a huge opportunity for our young people's education, and I fully support the planning application.

I live in Lenzie and I am a parent of two Millersneuk Primary pupils who will be going to Lenzie Academy in the next few years. The town desperately needs a new modern Academy school so that my children and thousands like them in the near and distant future get the education they need.

I am also a chartered town planner, and I have read the planning application carefully.

The planning reasons for granting this application include:

Site Selection - The site selection process has been thorough. It is summarised in page 5-14 of the Planning Statement submitted by the applicant with their planning application. There is no viable alternative. Any delay caused by the refusal of this application would likely set back the new academy project by years and would do great harm to the education of a generation of school pupils.

Transport - The site is centrally located in Lenzie, minimising daily commuting distances for pupils. For vehicle access the proposal makes good use of Initiative Road, the road in Lenzie with the greatest capacity. Pedestrian access for school pupils is provided from several directions and is safe and away from busy roads.

Green Space - I note the new tree planting set out on the 'Softworks General Arrangement Plan'

submitted with the planning application. The separate proposal to provide a new park and ecological enhancement at the existing academy site should proceed to balance the use of the existing Whitegates Park for the school.

I hope this application is granted and the school is built without delay.