

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: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I wish to object to planning application TP/ED/26/0104 for the proposed new Lenzie Academy.

I have serious concerns about the impact this development would have on the surrounding residential area, particularly in relation to traffic, road safety, the loss of green space, and the overall impact on the amenity and character of the neighbourhood.

One of the reasons I chose to purchase my home in this area was because it is a quiet residential neighbourhood with relatively low levels of traffic and disturbance. The surrounding streets are primarily used by residents and are not designed to accommodate large volumes of through traffic. The introduction of a major secondary school development in such close proximity would inevitably change this.

Even if the main access point to the school is located elsewhere, it is highly likely that surrounding streets such as Middlemuir Road will become an unofficial access route for parents dropping off or collecting pupils. This is a very common issue around schools, where drivers attempt to avoid congestion at the main entrance by using nearby residential streets.

If this happens, residential roads could effectively become informal drop-off and pick-up areas during busy periods. Vehicles stopping, turning and manoeuvring in streets not designed for this level of activity would lead to congestion and would significantly increase risks for pedestrians, cyclists and other road users. It would also have a clear and ongoing impact on residents who currently rely on these streets remaining quiet and safe.

There would also likely be a large increase in pupils walking through the surrounding streets as they access the school site. While active travel is positive in principle, the scale of movement associated with a large secondary school means that significant numbers of pupils would be funnelled through nearby residential streets twice a day. This would represent a substantial change to the current character of the area.

I am also concern