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CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW SPORTS AND TEACHING FACILITY INCLUDING
ALTERED PARKING ARRANGEMENTS AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPING AND
INFRASTRUCTURE

In regard to the above application I would comment as follows.

Transport Statement

Parking

It's stated that there are 90 parking spaces available within the school. This consist of 60 spaces which are accessed through the schools main gate and 30 spaces which are accessed through the secondary gate.

The proposal seeks to significantly improve the parking provision at the school which consists of the following:

Accessed via main gate

- 65 car spaces. The 65 car parking spaces include 8 accessible spaces for blue-badge holders and 13 EV charging spaces
- 2 minibus
- 7 motorcycle parking spaces will be accessed from the school's main entrance.

Accessed via Secondary access

- 29 car parking spaces

The above results in a total of 129 spaces which results in the parking provision being increased to meet the requirements of the Newport City Council Parking Standards SPG.

Trip Generation

The proposal will not increase the schools capacity and therefore there will no change in trip generation associated with the school.

It's acknowledged that the new sports hall and 3G pitch will be made available to the community outside school times and this is also an existing arrangement.

The proposal will utilise the existing main access off Cold Bath Road and the secondary access to the north of the site. Whilst the proposals will not increase the number of pupils and staff, the proposed parking arrangement will increase the number of spaces being accessed through the secondary access point which utilises the road which runs from Cold Bath Road. The section of highway which links this access to Cold Bath road is narrow, unlit and has no dedicated footway. This section of highway forms part of an active travel route, any increased in vehicle movements along this section of road will increase the likelihood of conflict between multi modal users and is therefore considered detrimental to highway safety.

It's noted that there is an existing public right of way (389/4/1) and active travel route (NP-CAE-P0020) which runs from the main access to the secondary access through the sports field. This route is does not benefit from a hard paved surface and therefore it may not be suitable for disabled users or during inclement weather. To address the concerns raised the PROW/active travel route should be upgraded and hard paved so that the section of road subject to an increase in traffic can be circumnavigated by cyclists and pedestrians. This would mitigate the highway safety issue raised.

Swept path analysis

A swept path analysis (SPA) has been submitted to demonstrate that a fire tender can access the school. The SPA demonstrates that a fire tender can access the school through the main gate and secondary access. It should however be noted that the school will need to maintain appropriate management of the car park to ensure that vehicles only park within bays to ensure access is maintained within the site. This is matter for the school.

An SPA must also be submitted to demonstrate that commercial/delivery vehicles can access and egress the school in forward gear. The SPA should utilise the largest vehicle expected to carry out deliveries.

Travel Plan

Whilst it's accepted that the school is exiting the inclusion of a travel plan is welcomed.

Summary and Conditions

In summary the applicant will need to demonstrate that delivery vehicles can access and egress the highway in a forward gear. The public right of Way/active travel route must be upgraded to mitigate the highway safety concerns and unless this can be achieved I must object to the application.

Should the application be approved a condition should be attached requiring the submission of a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) which must include the following:

- Construction worker parking
- Compound - including provision for delivery vehicles to turn and therefore access and egress the highway in a forward gear.
- Delivery/construction vehicle management plan – to ensure that there is no conflict between construction traffic and vehicles associated with the drop and

off and collection of children. This should include any other schools in the wider area.

- Wheel wash facilities and road sweeper
- Dust suppression measures

Normally we would also ask for a condition to cover the demolition phase however I note that a separate application (app 25/1033) has been submitted in regard to this matter.

Regards

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