Comment for planning application WSCC/055/20

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Type of Comment Comments

Objection

Although I don't doubt that the children deserve better facilities that are long overdue, this is not the place for the development of a new school. The proximity of the new development to residential property is much too close - the noise, pollution and dust during construction will be intolerable. In addition to the disturbance during construction, I have several concerns regarding the impact of the new school once complete: Noise - the proximity of the building and external school social/congregation areas to properties on Ryeland Road will inevitably have a detrimental effect on the peace and tranquility of our gardens. The 'U' shape of the main school building around a courtyard seems designed to reflect any sound generated by activities in this outdoor space directly towards my property. As this space is designated "performance and amphitheatre" and social spaces such as outside dining", I believe the sound generated in this courtyard space will be significant and cause" disturbance. Privacy - Although the main building is set lower in an attempt to mitigate issues around overlooking neighbouring properties, the installation of a roof terrace on the school building seems to compromise this; if built, I would rather see the school's rooftop seeded with green cover with no access as a roof terrace. This would minimise the negative visual impact the large building will have on the landscape from my property and remove the opportunity for people on the terrace to overlook my garden. Light - Although the floodlit pitch is situated on the other side of the site from my property, I feel that the new school site as a whole will generate a great deal of additional ambient light at night time, compared to the relative darkness we currently enjoy. This has the potential to disturb sleep; as a shift worker, I am well aware of the difficulties in getting enough sleep when its light outside! Proximity of nature trail - The proposed nature trail runs very close to properties on Ryeland Road. I believe that there is an agreed "no man's land" buffer strip that exists between the back of gardens on Ryeland Road and the school property. This buffer strip must be respected and should not be adopted as part of the new nature trail. In summary, I do not believe that the green playing field site to the rear of my property is the appropriate place to construct such a large facility when it is in such close proximity to residential dwellings. For the reasons outlined above, I believe this project will have a significant and unacceptable negative impact on my enjoyment of my property, both during the construction phase and long into the future once completed.

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