
Site Address:	Havant Academy, Wakefords Way, Havant, PO9 5JD		
Proposal:	Consultation by Hampshire County Council for the demolition of existing swimming pool and construction of a fenced tarmac playcourt.		
Application No:	APP/15/01038	Expiry Date:	09/10/2015
Applicant:	Wendy Agombar	Team:	Team 2
Agent:	Andrew Fellingham	Case Officer:	Emma Chisnall
Ward:	Bondfields		

Recommendation: **RAISE NO OBJECTION**

1 Site Description

Havant Academy swimming pool is situated to the far East of the school building and is not currently being used. The swimming pool is surrounded by flat open landscaping to the North and East and to the South and West are other school buildings and the sports centre. The size of the current development is large but with the amenity space available to the school it fits in well and is an appropriate size.

2 Planning History

04/56645/008- Consultation by Hampshire County Council for new healthy living centre - studio with ancillary office and storage accommodation. PERM

04/56645/007- Construction by Hampshire County Council for new external steel staircase to serve as fire escape from first floor community block. PERM

APP/11/0031- Hampshire County Council application for partial demolition of surplus buildings; construction of a new lift enclosure, to enhance access; enclosure of courtyard between existing two and three storey buildings; partial reclad of existing buildings to enhance environmental conditions, all to include associated landscaping at Havant Academy. RNO

3 Proposal

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4 Policy Considerations

National Planning Policy Framework

Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) March 2011

CS16 (High Quality Design)

DM2 (Protection of Existing Community Facilities and Shops)

Havant Borough Local Plan (Allocations) July 2014

Havant Borough Council Design Guide December 2011

Listed Building Grade: Not applicable.
Conservation Area: Not applicable.

5 Statutory and Non Statutory Consultations

None

6 Community Involvement

This application was publicised in accordance with the Council's Code of Practice for Publicity of Planning Applications approved at minute 207/6/92 (as amended), as a result of which the following publicity was undertaken:

Number of neighbour notification letters sent: 0 (publicity by HCC)

Number of site notices: Not applicable.

Statutory advertisement: Not applicable.

Number of representations received: 0

7 Planning Considerations

7.1 Having regard to the relevant policies of the development plan it is considered that the main issues arising from this application are:

- (i) Principle of development
- (ii) Impact upon the character of the area
- (iii) Impact upon residential amenity

(i) Principle of development

The application site is situated within an urban area where further development is considered acceptable subject to the usual development control criteria. The principle of the development is acceptable in terms of the size and making use of a current dormant space. The proposal would provide sports facilities for the school.

(ii) Impact upon the character of the area

As the proposed plans for the new playcourt would be situated within the school grounds and next to the community sports centre it would look in keeping with the immediate area and improve the current building aesthetically.

(iii) Impact upon residential amenity

The proposal should not create a negative impact on the immediate area and would enhance the current space for the school. There is adequate space between the proposed playcourt and the closest residential property so there is no concern over noise etc. There is no mention of potential flood lighting in the plans and therefore this has been recommended as a condition to be included regarding seeking planning permission should flood lighting be required in the future.

8 **Conclusion**

There is no adverse affect from the proposal and therefore it can be recommended for approval.

9 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Executive Head of Planning and Built Environment be authorised to **RAISE NO OBJECTION** for application APP/15/01038

(A) subject to the following conditions

- 1 The development must be begun not later than three years beginning with the date of this permission.

Reason: Required to be imposed by Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

- 2 The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans:

New Playcourt Site Location Plan: Drawing No C07737 001

New Playcourt General Arrangement: Drawing No C07737 002

Reason: - To ensure provision of a satisfactory development.

- 3 No flood lighting shall be provided to the playcourt hereby permitted unless otherwise approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To safeguard the amenities of the locality and nearby residents having due regard to policies CS16 and DM10 of the Havant Borough Local Plan (Core Strategy) 2011 and the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.