Planning application – Design, Access & Supporting Statement

Property name Staunton Community Sports College

Property address Wakefords Way, Havant, Hampshire, PO9 5JD

Works New School Signage

Existing Building and Site

Staunton Community Sports College is smaller than the average secondary school. The school is due to close at the end of this academic year and re-open as an academy in September 2010. The school is part of the Government's National Challenge programme which is aimed at raising standards of attainment in secondary schools. The school holds specialist status for sport.

The existing school buildings are primarily steel frame construction with aluminum or steel windows and brick panels. The school was originally built in 1968 and has since had numerous extensions the most recent being a drama and dance studio in 2005.

Brief

As part of the new academy opening in September 2010 the main entrance and reception area is being re-located to a more central site location.

Design Principles

To help highlight the new receptions area new signage is proposed to sit on the existing single story roof.

A new banner will be located to the left of the new entrance to hide existing air handling plant and signal the new entrance.

A new banner will be fixed to the existing sports hall blockwork wall that over looks the car park.

Access and Inclusion Principles

A new disabled car parking space will be provided for the new entrance in front of the pedestrian area. Existing paths provide a level threshold. Existing entrance doors will be retained with a bell added to alert the receptionist if a visitor requires help with the existing doors.

Buildings & Plant/Servicing

Not affected by the works.

Highways

The work is proposed during the summer holiday 2010 when staff and children will not be on site. Contractor access will be via the main site entrance.

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Environmental Protection
The contractors working hours will be during 8.00 -18.00 Monday to Friday. Saturday 8.00 – 14.00 if needed. There will be no working on Sunday or recognised bank holidays.

Landscape Design
There is no removal of any trees or vegetation as part of this scheme.

Ecology/Biodiversity
Not affected by the proposals.

Sustainability
The proposal makes best use of existing structures and reduces the amount of work needed.

Archaeology
No ground works are needed. Not affected by the proposals.