REPORT SUMMARY

REFERENCE NO - 17/501471/FULL

APPLICATION PROPOSAL

Erection of a three storey secondary school with associated access, car parking and landscaping.

ADDRESS Land At Valley Park School, New Cut Road, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 5SL

RECOMMENDATION – Approved subject to conditions

SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION/REASONS FOR REFUSAL

The application is considered to comply with the relevant policies of the development plan and the approach of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other relevant publications which represent material considerations in support of the application. The proposed school is considered to be acceptable having regard to the relevant matters including design and layout of the school, relevant standards, access to play space and open space, impact on amenity of neighbouring properties and highway matters.

REASON FOR REFERRAL TO COMMITTEE

Boxley Parish Council object to the proposed development and have called the application to committee.

WARD Boxley	PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL Boxley	APPLICANT BAM Construction Ltd AGENT Vincent & Gorbing
DECISION DUE DATE	PUBLICITY EXPIRY DATE	OFFICER SITE VISIT DATE
23/06/17	24/05/17	

RELEVANT PLANNING HISTORY (including appeals and relevant history on adjoining sites):

17/503510/REM – Approval of Reserved Matters for Access, Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale following Outline Approval for 13/1687 - An outline application with all matters reserved for future consideration for a new 12 court sports hall and ancillary accommodation. To be completed in 2 phases – Pending

14/504158/FULL - Proposed new sports equipment storage building - Permitted

14/504161/FULL - Extended area of 3G pitch (with reference to planning application MA/13/1260) the size being increased to 100 x 64m in order to provide an FA adult pitch. Together with 2 additional tennis courts - Permitted

13/1687 - An outline application with all matters reserved for future consideration for a new 12 court sports hall and ancillary accommodation - Permitted

13/1260 - The construction of a new 3G sports pitch with floodlighting; 4 new tennis courts; the upgrading and extension of existing pedestrian access ways from the main school site; the refurbishment of existing tennis courts; and associated fencing – Permitted

13/2067 - An application for a non-material amendment to planning permission MA/13/1260 being: a) The removal of a retaining wall and replacement with banking; b) A simplification of the access and viewing arrangements; c) A reduction in the number of required floodlight columns from 8 to 6 - Permitted

13/2068 - An application to discharge conditions relating to MA/13/1260 - (The construction of a

new 3G sports pitch with floodlighting; 4 new tennis courts; the upgrading and extension of existing pedestrian access ways from the main school site; the refurbishment of existing tennis courts; and associated fencing) - being details of condition 3 (walls and surfacing) and condition 4 (tree protection) – Permitted

12/0526 - Construction of new sports hall with changing rooms – Permitted

MAIN REPORT 1.0 DESCRIPTION OF SITE

- 1.1 The application site relates to a section of the shared school playing field at Valley Park Community School and Invicta Grammar School. The site is located on the west side of New Cut Road and to the north of Ashford Road. The site currently comprises three sports pitches for use of both schools. There is an existing vehicle access in the southeast corner of the site to the north of the junction at New Cut Road and Ashford Road with an unmade vehicle track running along the eastern boundary within the site. This existing vehicle access is primarily used to access the school plaving fields and for maintenance of the grounds. The site can also be accessed on foot via the two schools to the west. The north, east and part of the south and west boundary of the site comprise mature tree and hedgerows along the boundary of the school playing fields. The remaining boundary of the site comprises the school playfields with no fixed or marked boundary treatment. The tree line boundary around the wider school playing field and the trees within the playfields has recently been designated as a group TPO - 5011/2017/TPO.
- 1.2 The application site slopes down gently from north to south while the ground levels within the eastern part of the school playfield fall from north to south by approx. 19m with two fairly significant changes in the ground levels.
- 1.3 The northern boundary of the school playing field abuts PROW KH2 which runs in a south-westerly direction connecting New Cut Road and Grove Green to Huntsman Lane, Vinters Park and Maidstone town centre. Beyond the PROW is Vinters Valley local nature reserve which contains several grade II* listed ha-ha walls. Grove Lodge is a detached residential property located on the north side of PROW KH2. To the south and west of the site are playing fields and sports pitches utilised by Valley Park and Invicta Grammar schools, these schools are located further to the west and are The playing fields include several grass pitches, accessed off Huntsman Lane. tennis courts and an all-weather sports pitch (3G pitch). A third school, East Borough Primary School is located on Vinters Road further to the west. The southwest corner of the shared playing fields is the site for the new sports hall which has extant outline consent and the reserved matters application is currently being considered by the LPA (ref: 17/503510/REM). To the east of the site is New Cut Road with Grove Green housing estate beyond.
- 1.4 The site is located within the urban area of Maidstone and is designated as an Area of Local Landscape Importance in the 2000 Local Plan along with the Vinters Valley local nature reserve to the north of the site, although this designation has not been carried through into the emerging local plan. The proposed site lies within the Vinters Park Landscape Character Area.

2.0 PROPOSAL

2.1 Erection of a three storey secondary school with associated access, car parking and landscaping. The new school would accommodate 1,200 pupils equating to 6 forms of entry (11-18yrs) and 100 full-time equivalent staff. The proposed school would

specialise in Science and Technology for students interested in engineering based subjects and would become a member of the Valley Invicta Academies Trust along with Valley Park and Invicta Grammar.

- 2.2 The new school building would be located east of the centre of the existing playing fields with a proposed parking area to the east of the new school adjacent the New Cut Road boundary. A new roundabout access is proposed and would incorporate the opposite New Cut Road and Grovewood Drive South junction. The school building would be three storeys high with a flat roof with a u-shaped footprint of some 3030 sqm with a central courtyard open to the south. The gross floor area of the building would measure some 9188 sqm and the school would have a maximum height of some 12.6m. The building would be formed of two main materials a light grey facing brickwork and darker grey render. The main school entrance would be on the eastern elevation adjacent the parking area and site entrance with a secondary student entrance in the southern elevation via the open courtyard. PV panels are proposed on the roof of the school building.
- 2.3 The proposed roundabout junction would replace the existing junction at New Cut Road and Grovewood Drive South. The roundabout would comprise four arms serving New Cut Road, the new school site and Grovewood Drive South. The vehicle access would require the removal of a number of significant trees along the eastern boundary of the site. The access would serve the proposed school and new sport hall, forming a loop around the proposed parking area and running to the north of the 3G pitch to the new sports hall site.
- 2.4 The proposed parking area incorporates 104 parking spaces for staff and visitors, 7 disabled spaces and 18 drop off bays. Some 30 cycle parking spaces are proposed with sufficient space to accommodate additional cycle storage if the need arises to provide total number of 172 spaces. The exact number of spaces provided at the start of first school year would be secured and determined via condition.
- 2.5 The roundabout and required visibility would result in the loss of approx. 32 trees, some of which are significant mature species, and a 20m stretch of a group of trees. It is proposed to mitigate for the loss of trees with additional tree planting and landscaping within the site. The north and east edge of the car park and vehicle access would include a landscape buffer incorporating new tree planting to screen the parking area. Some 90 new trees would be planted within the site, a majority of which would be located within and around the proposed parking area and adjacent the new roundabout junction to soften the approach into the site and help screen the parking and vehicle access road.
- 2.6 It is proposed that the new school would share the existing playing fields and sports facilities, including the new sports hall (see history), with the two existing schools.

3.0 POLICY AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) Development Plan: ENV6, ENV35, CF1 Emerging Local Plan; DM1, DM3, DM23, DM27 Supporting Documents: Area guidelines for mainstream schools BB103

4.0 APPRAISAL

- 4.1 This application was deferred at 24 August 2017 planning committee for further discussions on:
 - An analysis of the catchment area of the School to better define focus/scope of the Travel Plan.
 - An investigation of alternative traffic access options including, but not limited to, use of the existing maintenance access to the southeast corner of the site to eliminate the need for the roundabout and loss of TPO/Veteran/High Grade trees.
 - The scope of the Travel Plan including the financial contribution package to achieve modal shift.
 - Design quality in terms of both landscape and built form, including an improved materials palette (use of a panel system and possibly ragstone plinths).
 - The requirement for a Landscape Master Plan to address the key issues for this historic landscape.

(The August 2017 committee report is attached at appendix 1)

- 4.2 The applicant has confirmed that they cannot or will not be amending the original proposal. The reasons are set out below.
- 4.3 The catchment area of the school was previously questioned during the course of the planning application and was reviewed and justified by the applicants transport consultant. KCC Highways and Highways England have both accepted the catchment area and do not raise any objection in this respect.
- 4.4 KCC Highways confirmed on the night of the previous committee that the use of the existing maintenance access in the south eastern corner of the site would not be a suitable highways access for the new school, even for an entry only access, due to the proximity to the signalised junction at New Cut Road and Ashford Road. KCC has reiterated this point following the August committee meeting. Various access options have been reviewed applicant as set out in their Access Options Assessment.
- 4.5 An updated Travel Plan was submitted in support of this application prior to the August committee meeting and this has been reviewed and endorsed by KCC Highways and Highways England. HE has conformed that the TP would secure an acceptable modal shift from private car travel to sustainable modes of travel providing it is implemented and monitored properly with penalties in place should the aims and objectives of the TP not be achieved.
- 4.6 In terms of design quality, the applicants attended pre application meetings with the council, one of which included a member pre app meeting in which local and neighbouring ward members and planning committee spokes persons were invited. Only three members attended the meeting and no objections were raised in relation to the use of render rather than a panel system, on the assumption that a dark / grey render was used as apposed to the white render originally proposed during initial pre-app schemes. Members also suggested incorporating ragstone into the building at pre-application stage. As set out in the Design and Access Statement it was not possible to introduce ragstone into the elevational design due to budget constraints

and the compatibility of this more traditional material with modern methods of construction, including the fact that ragstone faced slips are not available. The proposed colour palette has been selected to reflect the ragstone seen in the wider area as clearly set out in the Design and Access Statement. The school are proposing to use ragstone on boundary treatment within the site in the retaining wall and stepped area at the southern approach to the building and external courtyard area. The use of a ragstone plinth has been reviewed by the applicants design team following the August committee meeting but it has not been possible to introduce this element into the design due to budget constraints and without a significant redesign of the elevations.

4.7 The applicant has confirmed that the landscape master plan has been designed to soften / screen the impact of the car park area. The tree belt within the site to the south of the access road would also be reinforced with additional trees. The school are not generally supportive of a tree belt adjacent the entire north boundary of the school and car park as this would cut the visual link and prohibit access to the sports pitches at the top of the school site.

5.0 POLICY SUPPORT FOR SCHOOLS (set out in further detail in the August 2017 committee report)

- 5.1 This site and proposed school is included in the KCC Commissioning Plan 2017-2021 to provide secondary school places within the Maidstone area and there is an identified need for a new secondary school in this area of the borough. The Commissioning Plan advises that any further delay in the opening of the school would lead to a significant shortfall in places and little time in which to respond.
- 5.2 At a national level, the policy relating to the provision of school development remains a positive one with paragraph 72 of the NPPF stating; "the government attaches great importance to ensuring that a sufficient choice of school places is available to meet the needs of existing and new communities. Local planning authorities should take a proactive, positive and collaborative approach to meeting this requirement, and to development that will widen choice in education. They should give great weight to the need to create, expand or alter schools; and work with schools promoters to identify and resolve key planning issues before applications are submitted'
- 5.3 There is significant support offered by national and local policy for new schools and school expansions. The Communities and Local Government Policy Statement on Planning for Schools Development (Aug 2011) sets out the Government's Commitment to support the development of state-funded schools and their delivery through the planning system. The policy statement advises that "it is the Government's view that the creation and development of state-funded schools is strongly in the national interest and that planning decision makers can and should support that objective, in a manner consistent with their statutory obligations". It encourages collaborative working, which "would help to ensure that the answer to proposals for the development of state-funded schools should be, wherever possible, "yes" ". It states that "the Government believes that the planning system should operate in a positive manner when dealing with proposals for the creation, expansion and alteration of state-funded schools, and the following policies should apply with immediate effect:
 - There should be a presumption in favour of the development of state funded schools, as expressed in the National Planning Policy Framework.

- Local authorities should give full and thorough consideration to the importance of enabling the development of state-funded schools in their planning decisions. The Secretary of State will attach significant weight to the need to establish and develop state-funded schools when determining applications and appeals that come before him for decision.
- Local authorities should make full use of their planning powers to support statefunded schools applications. ...
- A refusal of any application for a state-funded school, or the imposition of conditions, will have to be clearly justified by the local planning authority. Given the strong policy support for improving state education, the Secretary of State will be minded to consider such a refusal or imposition of conditions to be unreasonable conduct, unless it is supported by clear and cogent evidence."
- 5.4 The Plain English Guide to Planning for Free Schools, produced by the Department for Communities and Local Government in January 2015, reinforces and strengthens earlier advice. It sets out in paragraph 2 that *"the Government is committed to ensuring there is sufficient provision to meet growing demand for state-funded school places, increasing choice and opportunity in state funded education, and raising educational standards. Free schools have an important part to play in delivering this challenge."*

7.0 CONCLUSION – PLANNING BALANCE

- 7.1 The relevant planning and government guidance set out strong support for new school facilities and there is an identified current and future need in the area for a new secondary school and the school itself is identified within the KCC Commissioning Plan for the area. In light of NPPF guidance and significant government support, such considerations must be given significant weight in any decision.
- 7.2 The proposal would constitute a good standard of design and would not appear significantly prominent within the site due to the boundary screening and set back from the road. The proposal would meet the relevant government standards for a new school and will ensure sufficient sports provision on the site for the three schools as confirmed by Sport England and a Community Use Agreement would ensure the sports pitches are available to the local community.
- 7.3 Against the proposal is the loss of a significant number of trees along the New Cut Road frontage. However, as identified above the proposed location of the school building and the roundabout has been determined by a number of factors, including highways capacity and safety, retention of the best sports pitches on the site and ground levels and, it is noted that any new access point along New Cut Road would result in the loss of a significant number of trees. Other access locations / designs would result in the loss of less mature / significant trees than the proposed access, however, the roundabout access and location has been led by a number of factors including Sport England's requirement to retain the best / most grass playing pitches within the site, the ground level changes and the fact that the roundabout would result in a betterment in terms of traffic flows and reduced congestion times along New Cut Road compared to the existing situation. In addition, the scheme proposes a comprehensive landscaping and tree planting plan which proposes to replant some 90 new trees on the site which is more trees than would need to be removed to facilitate the site access, which would in part mitigate the impacts of the roundabout and tree loss in accordance with saved policy ENV6.

- 7.4 The new school would result in additional traffic flows and congestion at nearby junctions, a point which does weigh against the proposed development. However, the impacts of the scheme on the wider Highway network including the M20 Junction 7 are not considered to cause a severe impact subject to a robust Travel Plan being secured by a S106 which would include contingency funding and appropriate mitigation measures to be used on sustainable transport scheme(s) benefitting the local area and relevant to the proposed development. Although Highways England do note that if the TP is implemented and monitored appropriately, the mitigation would not be required.
- 7.5 The scheme is acceptable in all other regards including that relating to neighbour amenity, drainage, air quality and heritage.
- 7.6 Therefore, on balance, it is considered that the strong educational support in government guidance and local policy, the identified need in the KCC Commissioning Plan and the lack of alternative sites, represent material considerations and together with the ecological enhancements, traffic flow and reduction in congestion and other factors, would outweigh the harm caused resulting from the loss of the trees along the east side of New Cut Road.
- **8.0 RECOMMENDATION** Subject to the prior completion of a legal agreement, in such terms as the Head of Legal Services may advise, to provide the following:
 - Travel Plan, including a monitoring fee and contingency funding to provide appropriate mitigation measures to be used on sustainable transport scheme(s) benefitting the local area and relevant to the proposed development

The Head of Planning and Development BE GIVEN DELEGATED POWERS TO GRANT planning permission subject to the imposition of the conditions set out below

CONDITIONS

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission;

Reason: In accordance with the provisions of Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended by Section 51 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

2. The premises shall be used for a school and for no other purpose (including any other purposes in Class D1 of the Schedule to the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987, or in any provision equivalent to that Class in any statutory instrument revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification.

Reason: Unrestricted use of the building or land would cause demonstrable harm to the character, appearance and functioning of the surrounding area and/or the enjoyment of their properties by adjoining residential occupiers.

3. Prior to the commencement of development, a phasing strategy for the delivery of the development hereby approved, including condition discharge, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. For the avoidance of doubt, the scheme shall include, but not be limited to:

- Key milestones in the development of the site;
- Commencement on site;
- Timescales for installation of utilities;
- Phases of development of the building;
- Timings for hard and soft landscaping;
- Associated timings for discharge of conditions.

The development shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved phasing strategy.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory progression of the development.

4. The erection of fencing for the protection of any retained tree or hedge shall be carried out in complete accordance with BS5837:2012 and as shown on plan reference TPP01, before any equipment, machinery, or materials are brought onto the site for the purposes of development or other operations. The fencing shall be retained intact for the full duration of the development until all equipment, materials and surplus materials have been removed from the site. If the fencing is damaged all operations shall cease until it is repaired in accordance with the approved details. Nothing shall be stored or placed in any fenced area in accordance with this condition and the ground levels within those areas shall not be altered, nor shall any excavations be made without the written approval of the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interests of landscape, visual impact and amenity of the area and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development.

5. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, a construction specification/method statement for the delivery of any aspect of the development hereby permitted, falling within 5m of the Root Protection Area, approved under condition 4, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, prior to the works being undertaken. The development shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To safeguard the trees on the site.

6. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, details of all the external materials, including samples, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

The proposed materials shall include details of swift bricks and / or bat boxes / bricks incorporated into the development.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development.

7. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, details of all the external windows and door, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development.

8. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, a detailed sustainable surface water drainage scheme for the site shall be submitted to (and approved in writing by) the local planning authority. The detailed drainage scheme shall demonstrate that the surface water generated by this development (for all rainfall durations and intensities up to and including the climate change adjusted critical 100 year storm) can be accommodated and disposed of at a rate not exceeding 3.9l/s. The drainage scheme shall also demonstrate that silt and pollutants resulting from the site use can be adequately managed to ensure there is no pollution risk to receiving waters.

No building hereby permitted shall be occupied until details of the implementation, maintenance and management of the sustainable drainage scheme have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The scheme shall be implemented and thereafter managed and maintained in accordance with the approved details. Those details shall include:

i) a timetable for its implementation, and

ii) a management and maintenance plan for the lifetime of the development which shall include the arrangements for adoption by any public body or statutory undertaker, or any other arrangements to secure the operation of the sustainable drainage system throughout its lifetime.

Reason: To ensure that the principles of sustainable drainage are incorporated into this proposal and to ensure ongoing efficacy of the drainage provisions.

- 9. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, details of both the hard and soft landscaping proposals shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. These details shall include:
- Proposed finished levels or contours
- Means of enclosure
- Car parking layouts
- Other vehicle and pedestrian access and circulation areas
- Hard surfacing materials
- Minor artefacts and structures (eg furniture, play equipment, refuse or other storage units, signs, lighting)
- Proposed and existing functional services above and below ground.

Soft Landscaping details shall include:

- Planting plans
- Written specifications (including cultivation and other operations associated with plant and grass establishment)
- Schedules of plants, noting species, planting sizes and proposed numbers/densities where appropriate.
- Implementation timetables.

Reason: In the interests of landscape, visual impact and amenity of the area and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development.

 The use or occupation of the development hereby permitted shall not commence until all hard and soft landscaping specified in the approved landscape details has been completed. All soft landscaping shall be carried out during the planting season (October to February). Any seeding or turfing which fails to establish or any trees or plants which, within five years from the first occupation of a property, commencement of use or adoption of land, die or become so seriously damaged or diseased that their long term amenity value has been adversely affected shall be replaced in the next planting season with plants of the same species and size as detailed in the approved landscape scheme unless the local planning authority gives written consent to any variation.

Reason: In the interests of landscape, visual impact and amenity of the area and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development.

11. Within 3 months of the date of planning permission a detailed lighting scheme finalised by the bat activity surveys must be submitted to the LPA for written approval. The lighting scheme must demonstrate that there will be no or minimal impact on foraging/commuting bats. The development shall thereafter be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development and to safeguard neighbour amenity and ecology.

12. All external lighting shall be turned off by no later than 22:00 on any given day.

Reason: To safeguard neighbour amenity and ecology.

13. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, details of the proposed cycle parking enclosures shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The cycle parking plan shall include at least 86 cycle parking spaces from the start of the first school year and shall clearly indicate how this would be increased to 172 spaces in accordance with the Travel Plan. The approved cycle parking shall be installed in accordance with the details approved and retained thereafter.

Reason: To promote sustainable travel.

14. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, a landscape management plan, including long term design objectives (10 years), management responsibilities and maintenance schedules for all hard and soft landscape areas, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The landscape management plan shall be carried out as approved.

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity, landscape, visual impact and amenity of the area and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development.

15. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, details of the proposed car parking spaces and drop off / pick area shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The proposed parking area shall show a reduction in the number of parking spaces shown on drawing LP2073-FIRA-LA-WS-L-90-03 to encourage sustainable modes of travel. The agreed car parking provision shall be installed in accordance with the details approved and retained thereafter.

Reason: To ensure adequate parking provision is provided to promote sustainable modes of travel in accordance with the travel plan

16. Any facilities used for the storage of oils, fuels or chemicals shall be sited on impervious bases and surrounded by impervious bund walls. The bund capacity shall give 110% of the total volume of the tanks.

Reason: To prevent pollution of the site.

17. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under Condition 3, details of how the development will enhance biodiversity will be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This will include clear ecological enhancement for breeding birds, bats and reptiles and shall include provision of bat boxes, bird boxes, native planting and the retention of cordwood on the site. The enhancement plan must provide details on how the enhancements will be managed long term. The approved details will be implemented and thereafter retained.

Reason: To enhance biodiversity.

18. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under Condition 3, a bat scoping survey shall be carried out prior to any works commencing within 10metres of the trees on the site. The bat scoping survey, emergence survey (if required) and details of any bat mitigation required must be submitted for written approval by the LPA. The removal of the tree must be carried out as detailed within the submitted documents.

Reason: In the interest of ecology and bat protection.

19. Prior to the commencement of development the applicant, or their agents or successors in title, will secure and implement:

i) Archaeological field evaluation works in accordance with a specification and written timetable which has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority; and

ii) Further archaeological investigation, recording and reporting, determined by the results of the evaluation, in accordance with a specification and timetable which has been submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority

Reason: To ensure that features of archaeological interest are properly examined and recorded.

20. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, details of any plant (including ventilation, refrigeration and air conditioning) or ducting system to be used in pursuance of this permission shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details. The scheme shall ensure that the noise generated at the boundary of any noise sensitive property shall not exceed Noise Rating Curve NR35 (*in areas of low background sound levels a target of NR30 shall be achieved*) as defined by BS8233: 2014 Guidance on sound insulation and noise reduction for buildings and the Chartered Institute of Building Engineers (CIBSE) Environmental Design Guide 2006. The equipment shall be maintained in a condition so that it does not exceed NR35 as described above, whenever it's operating. After installation of the approved plant, no new plant or ducting system shall be used without the prior written consent of the Local Planning Authority;

Reason: To protect occupants from noise and disturbance.

21. In accordance with the phasing strategy, as approved under condition 3, details of a minimum of two electric vehicle charging points, including a programme for their installation, maintenance and management, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The electric vehicle charging points as approved shall be installed prior to occupation of the building(s) hereby permitted and shall thereafter be retained and maintained in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To promote the reduction of CO2 emissions through the use of low emissions vehicles in accordance with paragraph 35 of the NPPF.

22. Use of the development shall not commence until a community use agreement prepared in consultation with Sport England has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, and a copy of the completed approved agreement has been provided to the Local Planning Authority. The agreement shall apply to the playing field and include details of pricing policy, hours of use, access by non-educational establishment users, management responsibilities and a mechanism for review [, and anything else which the Local Planning Authority in consultation with Sport England considers necessary in order to secure the effective community use of the facility]. The development shall not be used at any time other than in strict compliance with the approved agreement;

Reason: To secure well managed safe community access to the sports facility, to ensure sufficient benefit to the development of sport;

23. Prior to the first occupation of the school hereby permitted, the sports hall access road and car parking, replacement tennis court and long jump facility shall be constructed and made available for use.

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory quantity, quality and accessibility of compensatory provision which secures a continuity of use.

24. Prior to the first occupation of the school hereby permitted, a six court sports hall, pursuant to application 12/0526 "Construction of new sports hall with changing rooms", or any subsequent planning application approved by the Local Planning Authority, shall be constructed and made available for use.'

Reason: To ensure the satisfactory quantity, quality and accessibility of compensatory provision which secures a continuity of use.

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

1 A, 11408-H-01 P3, 11408-H-02 P3, 11408-H-03 P3, 16777-KSS-00-00-DR-A-01001 P7, 16777-KSS-00-01-DR-A-01001 P7, 16777-KSS-00-02-DR-A-01001 P7, 16777-KSS-00-03-DR-A-01001 P3, 16777-KSS-00-XX-VS-A-70001 P1, 16777-KSS-00-XX-VS-A-70002 P1, 16777-KSS-00-Z0-DR-A-00001 P4, 16777-KSS-00-Z0-DR-A-00002 P3, 16777-KSS-00-ZZ-DR-A-02001 P3, 16777-KSS-00-ZZ-DR-A-02002 P3, 16777-KSS-00-ZZ-DR-A-02001 P3, 6418-MST-KSA-Z0-ZZ-DR-C-6000-S2-P1; received 15.03.2017

LP2073-FIRA-LA-WS-L-93-01, LP2073-FIRA-LA-WS-L-93-02, NBMC102/23044/1 - 3a, NBMC102/23045/1 - 3b, NBMC102/23101/1 - 3a, NBMC102/23102/1 - 3b, SST-BMD-ZZ-XX-DR-E-40901-P03, SST-BMD-ZZ-XX-DR-E-40902-P03, SST-BMD-ZZ-XX-DR-E-40903-P03, SST-BMD-ZZ-XX-DR-E-40904-P03; received 24.03.2017 and LP2073-FIRA-LA-WS-L-90-01G, LP2073-FIRA-LA-WS-L-90-02G, LP2073-FIRA-LA-WS-L-90-03; received 27.03.2017 and SSTM-BHD-BG-XX-DR-E-49050-P03; dated April 2017

Supporting Documents: Acoustic Report by ADT; dated 6 March 2017, Arboricultural Impact Assessment and Method Statement (ref:NBMC102/002) by Thomson Ecology; dated March 2017, Archaeological Desk Based Report by ARS Ltd; dated March 2017, Flood Risk Assessment by Kirksaunders; dated March 2017, External Lighting Assessment (SST-BMD-00-XX-RP-M-48700-S2) by Bam; dated 22.02.2017, Interim Travel Plan and Transport Assessment by DHA Transport (PL/HA/11408); dated March 2017, Planning Statement by Vincent+Gorbing; dated March 2017, Primary Ecological Assessment by Thomson Ecology; dated March 2017, Landscape & Visual Impact Assessment by fra; dated March 2017 and Heritage Statement by Archaeological Research Service Ltd, Construction Methodology by Bam; received 15.05.2017.

Reason: To ensure the quality of the development is maintained and to prevent harm to the residential amenity of neighbouring occupiers.

26. All trees to be felled and assessed as low/medium within the Thompson Ecology Letter (dated 27th February 2017) must be felled using a soft fell technique under the watching brief of a licenced ecologist.

The intact hulk of the veteran holly tree should be felled and relocated within the eastern boundary tree belt in close proximity to the felled veteran tree and the landscaping details pursuant to condition 9 shall include young trees of similar species to the veteran holly to be planted along the eastern boundary of the site.

Reason: In the interests of biodiversity, landscape, visual impact and amenity of the area and to ensure a satisfactory appearance to the development.

- 27. The use or occupation of the development hereby permitted shall not commence until the following highways works have been fully implemented:
- Works required for the proposed roundabout and pedestrian crossing, including, and if appropriate, a shared footway/cycleway to the north on New Cut Road.
- Parking restrictions in Grovewood Drive South
- Reduction in the speed limit on New Cut Road from 40 mph to 30 mph
- The upgrade of the New Cut Road/Ashford Road junction

Reason: In the interests of highway safety.

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No demolition/construction activities shall take place, other than between 0800 to 1800 hours (Monday to Friday) and 0800 to 1300 hours (Saturday) with no working activities on Sunday or Bank Holiday.

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The applicant/developer should enter into a formal agreement with Southern Water to provide the necessary sewerage infrastructure required to service this development. Please contact Southern Water, Sparrowgrove House Sparrowgrove, Otterbourne, Hampshire SO21 2SW (Tel: 0330 303 0119) or <u>www.southernwater.co.uk</u>".

A wastewater grease trap should be provided on the kitchen waste pipe or drain installed and maintained by the owner or operator of the premises.

Land uses such as general hardstanding that may be subject to oil/petrol spillages should be drained by means of oil trap gullies or petrol/oil interceptors.

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For full details of all papers submitted with this application please refer to the relevant Public Access pages on the council's website.