

REPORT SUMMARY

REFERENCE NOS. - 16/506320/FULL and 16/506322		
APPLICATION PROPOSAL		
16/506320: Erection of an extension to the existing school building for educational use.		
16/506322: Removal of condition 2 of 14/503957 (Application for permanent change of use to a free school (Class D1)) - The condition restricts the number of pupils to 240 until July 2022 and then 210 from September 2022 onwards. The condition is therefore required to be removed, to accommodate an increase in capacity. In the event the extension of floorspace application is approved at the subject site.		
ADDRESS Jubilee Free School Gatland House Gatland Lane Maidstone Kent ME16 8PF		
RECOMMENDATION: N/A – Update Report		
SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:		
The application was deferred by planning committee on Thursday 25 th May 2017. Councillors requested that the application be reported back to the next Committee on Thursday 15 th June. It is requested due to the tight timescale and type of information required that more time be provided to the applicants for the submission of the necessary information and that the applications instead return to the next committee. Therefore this report simply updates the committee on the present status of the application.		
REASON FOR REFERRAL TO COMMITTEE		
Application has been called by local councillors in order the proposals can be debated at committee for reasons of public interest		
WARD Fant	PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL	APPLICANT Education Funding Agency AGENT JLL
DECISION DUE DATE 31/10/16	PUBLICITY EXPIRY DATE 02/12/16	OFFICER SITE VISIT DATE VARIOUS

MAIN REPORT

1.0 REASONS FOR DEFERRAL

1.1 The original planning committee reports for both applications are attached as **Appendices 1 and 2** to this report. The applications were deferred on the following grounds:

- To investigate the issue of open space and off-site provision and what mechanism would be in place to secure this
- Landscaping of site including the frontage to Gatland Lane
- Detail of ecology enhancement details
- Renewable energy details
- Lighting of school

1.2 The purpose of this report is to update the committee due to the fact the applications were originally deferred for only one committee cycle in order to provide the necessary information. However, due to the short timescales and extent of

additional information requested, it has not been possible to provide this prior to the committee deadlines.

- 1.3 It should be noted, however, within this short time scale a meeting has been held between councillors, officers and the applicants in order to discuss the deferral decision and what further information should be sought and produced to inform the committee, which should then provide clarity on the above issues. This meeting was held on the 5th June 2017 and the applicants are now in the process of collecting and producing further information in response to the above issues. However, due to the short time period it has not been possible to provide this for this committee due to the tight deadlines.
- 1.3 In order to work with the council, the applicants have agreed to an extension of time until 7th July 2017 to enable the applications to return to the next committee on the 6th July 2017, when the additional information will be produced for consideration by the committee.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION – No recommendation. This is an Update Report.

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