

**Car Park Extension  
Hazel Leys Primary and Nursery School  
Gainsborough Road  
Corby  
Northamptonshire**

**For**

**Hazel Leys Primary and Nursery School**

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## 1.0 Purpose of the Statement

- 1.1 This statement has been prepared to support a planning application for the construction of a car park extension at Hazel Leys Primary and Nursery School, Lowry Close, Corby.
- 1.2 The purpose of this statement is to explain; “the design principles and concepts that have been applied to the proposed development and how issues related to access to the development have been dealt with” (para 80 DCLG Circular 01/2006).
- 1.3 This statement should be read in conjunction with the planning application and its accompanying documents.

## 2.0 Need

- 2.1 The school is in need of additional car parking spaces to alleviate the current problems of staff and visitors not parking in dedicated spaces.
- 2.2 Hazel Leys School currently employs 32 full time staff and 4 part time staff. It can be seen that the existing 16 (incl 1 disabled) car parking spaces are not adequate for the needs of the existing staff levels. It is therefore proposed to provide additional car parking spaces to alleviate the existing problem
- 2.3 It is proposed to provide 14 additional parking spaces which would bring the total available parking spaces to 30. The parking supplementary planning guidance for Northamptonshire allows new primary schools 1 car parking space per full time staff member and 1 space per 2 for all other staff members. It can be seen that the planning guidance would allow a maximum of 34 parking spaces for this school. It is therefore shown that the additional parking provision will bring the school inline with modern parking standards.



Photograph 1 – Proposed car park extension site

## 3.0 Use

- 3.1 This application will provide 14 new car parking spaces for the use of staff at Hazel Leys School.
- 3.2 The existing application site is a grassed area which is located between a pedestrian access and existing car park / vehicle access. The grassed area is not used for organised sports activities.

3.3 The grassed part of the application site has an area of 277m<sup>2</sup> which has been partially replaced by the recently demolished 151m<sup>2</sup> temporary classroom located to the south of the site.

#### **4.0 Amount**

4.1 14no. car parking spaces will be provided. This will accommodate existing parking demand on the site and is in accordance with the Northamptonshire County Council Supplementary Planning Guidance.

#### **5.0 Layout**

5.1 The car park layout is the most space economical layout in order to provide the maximum number of new car parking spaces in the minimum space.

#### **6.0 Scale**

6.1 The proposed car park extension facility is at ground level except for a relocated lamp column.

#### **7.0 Landscaping**

7.1 The majority of the application site will be hard surfaced with a bituminous material. A small portion of the application site will be reseeded with grass.

#### **8.0 Access**

8.1 The site will be accessed from the existing site highway access off Lowry Close. No alterations are proposed to the access.