



Town and Country Planning Act 1990

PLANNING PERMISSION

Name and address of applicant

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Part I - Particulars of application

Date of Application

24 February 2011

Application No.

NCC: 11/00015/CCD
WBC: WP/2011/0087

Particulars and location of development

Installation of a single storey double mobile classroom at Ruskin Infant School, Ruskin Avenue, Wellingborough, NN8 3EG

Part II - Particulars of decision:

The Northamptonshire County Council

Hereby give notice in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that **permission has been granted** for the carrying out of the development referred to in Part I hereof in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following conditions:-

Time Limit

1. This permission shall be limited to a period of time expiring 31st January 2012. At or before the expiration of this period, the mobile classroom and temporary hard paved pathway shall be removed and within 3 months of removal of the classroom the development site shall be reinstated to playing field use.

REASON: In the interests of visual amenity and to minimise loss of playing field.

Note: This permission only relates to planning permission and does not include consent under the Building Regulations for which separate permission may be required. The requirements of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and the Special Education Needs and Disability Act 2001 should also be adhered to wherever appropriate.

Scope of Permission

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

Planning Application Form dated 23 February 2011, Design and Access Statement dated February 2011, Supporting Statement dated February 2011, W0094B Site Plan (scale 1:1250) dated February 2011 and Elevation Plan dated February 2011.

REASON: To define the scope of the permission and in the interests of clarity.

INFORMATIVE

The applicant's attention is drawn to the attached standard advice from the Crime Prevention Design Advisor for mobile classroom units.

REASONS FOR APPROVAL

The proposal is considered to be acceptable in accordance with the North Northamptonshire Core Spatial Strategy Policy 13, which seeks to ensure developments are of high quality design, while minimising amenity impacts. The overall design and appearance of the proposed mobile classroom unit are considered to be acceptable and it will not have any significant adverse impact on the amenities of the local area due particularly to its temporary nature. It is therefore recommended that temporary planning permission be granted, subject to a condition ensuring that the mobile classroom and temporary hard paved area are removed on expiration of the planning permission and the development site reinstated to playing field use within 3 months of classroom removal.

Date.....20th April 2011..... Signed..........

For Chief Planning Officer

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Mobile Classrooms

Sharon Henley has asked that all planners consider the following recommendations to enhance the security of mobile classrooms regardless of their location:-

- Mobile classrooms should not be located on stilts but should have a protective skirt around the base to prevent access underneath. This minimises the potential for arson.
- Mobile classrooms should wherever possible have toilet facilities installed. This obviates the need for children to cross the school site unaccompanied, which is one of the concerns voiced by parents about mobile facilities.
- Teachers within mobiles should be able to call for assistance if faced with an angry parent or unauthorised intruder. Schools should have some recognised system in place.
- In addition where the mobile is located close to the fence consideration should be given to additional security measures for the windows. This can take the form of either welded mesh over the window or can take the form of heightened fencing in the location to make the throwing of missiles at the windows more difficult.

Where mobile classrooms have computers installed then the following additional security measures need to be implemented.

- The fire exit doors need to be solid and steel faced with no glazing. The steel facing to be secured with non return screws or coach bolts. The door also needs to be fitted with hinge bolts to protect the external hinges.
- The windows need to be fitted with weld mesh to make access through the glazing more difficult.
- Where the school is alarmed then the mobile classroom needs to be alarmed as an extension of the main provision.
- All computers need to be overtly marked with the name of the school and its post code and where practicable computers should be secured to the work station.

If there any specific issues relating to a particular mobile classroom application then Sharon Henley will respond via the consultation process.