Wilbarston Primary School is a very successful and popular school. It has enjoyed good Ofsted reports and is well respected and supported by the local community. Indeed it is a central part of the village.

The number of pupils attending the school has steadily increased in recent years to the point where the existing accommodation within the school buildings is not sufficient for the number of pupils expected in September. It is therefore proposed to add one extra basic teaching class in order to keep the class size throughout the school within DCSF guidelines.

The only practical way of providing accommodation in the immediate short term is to install a mobile classroom. If the number of pupils on roll remains fairly constant in the near future a feasibility study will be completed with a view to extending the permanent school buildings. If the proposals can go ahead it will ensure that the school has the necessary resources to continue to provide an excellent education for all the pupils wishing to attend the school.
Wilbarston Primary School

Proposed Mobile Building

Design and Access Statement

**Design:**

**Use**
The building will be used for general teaching in conjunction with the existing accommodation within the school site.

**Size**
The proposed development consists of a single storey mobile building of approx 96m². The height is approx 3.3m.

**Layout**
The layout of the site is as existing, and therefore has been somewhat predetermined.

**Landscape**
The mobile will be sited on part of the grass field adjoining the school playground. One tree will need to be felled or moved. The existing access path from the school gate to the playground will need to be realigned so that it runs closer to the range of barns within the school site. The landscape of the site will remain the same other than the immediate footprint of the mobile and the two items highlighted above.

An electricity supply will be connected to the mobile by underground means, thus having no visual impact.

**Appearance**
The proposed building is of standard single storey mobile classroom construction. The elevations are perpendicular surmounted by a low pitch roof. The roof is finished in grey felt with a small overhang, discharging rainwater into a black PVC gutter and down pipes. The height of the roof ridge is approximately 3.3m from ground level. The walls are refinished in a stippled weatherproof coating, all painted in dark green (12 B 25) colour. All windows have white uPVC frames and are double glazed in clear float glass. A wooden slatted skirt is fitted between ground and floor level, the slats being horizontal.

**Access:**

The building design takes account of:-

**Approach**
Within the limits of the site the mobile has been positioned to create ease of access for all users.

**Parking**
Not applicable.
**Entrances**  
Access to the site is as existing with no need for any alterations. The access path will need to be realigned within the site as mentioned above. Specific access to the mobile will be via a ramped pathway ensuring that the building complies with the Disability Discrimination Act requirements and Part M of the Building Regulations.

**Horizontal and Vertical circulation**  
The horizontal circulation within the mobile has been carefully planned to accommodate all users regardless of disability. Vertical circulation is not applicable for this single storey building.

**Access to all Services**  
Internally the mobile has been carefully laid-out to maximise use. All facilities are logistically placed in relation to each other.

**Emergency Egress**  
The design of the mobile will ensure and assist evacuation should an emergency need occur. All travel routes have been carefully planned and emergency exit facilities provided. Evacuation planning will be recorded and regularly tested by the occupiers.

**Waste Management**  
There will be minimal waste generated during the installation of the mobile. Each contractor will be responsible for removing their own waste to a licensed tip.

**Tree Survey**  
There is one small Acer growing within the proposed footprint of the mobile. This is a relatively young tree of some 3-4 meters high with a girth of 150mm at 1.2m high. It is likely to have been planted in the last five years. Attempts will be made to replant the existing tree elsewhere within the school grounds. However if this proves problematic, a replacement of similar size and species will be planted at the first planting season after the installation of the mobile. New location to be agreed.

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