

Consultation Response from KC Highways
2019/90467 Highfields Centre, New North Road, Huddersfield, HD1 5LS
Conversion of former college buildings into 33 apartments including demolition of link canopy, partial demolition of link building, erection of additional storey to link building, and internal and external alterations (Listed Building within a Conservation Area).
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2019/90467 Highfields centre New North Road, Huddersfield.

Highway Development Management's (HDM) comments for the above application as follows:

Planning application for conversion of existing building to residential use of 33 apartments. Access to the site is taken via two existing access points off Highfields Road.

A Transport Statement (TS) and Travel Plan (TP) has been prepared and submitted by Pargon Highways (ref 1546) dated Oct 2018.

Contained within the TS and TP are references to the UDP in terms of justification for the parking provision being acceptable in its current form and alternative journey to work methods. The UDP has now been superseded by the Local Plan, as such an up to date addendum is requested to cover these outdated references.

The provision of 26 parking spaces is to be included in the proposal, this is considered to be an under provision based on the number of units proposed, however this development is considered to be close to the town centre and thus considered acceptable in that respect.

The width of the two access points should be of a minimum 4.5m to accommodate two way vehicle movements.

Concerns are raised over the available visibility currently achievable, suitable sightlines at both access points should be demonstrated.

The proposed site access taken at the most north western part of the site appears tight, swept paths should be demonstrated of turning manoeuvres at the site entrance.

Although the bin stores are indicated on plan (ref 18.007(9)008), this should be of a suitable size to accommodate the required number of bins for a fortnightly collection. The refuse storage and collection facilities should be in line with Councils good practice guidance.