

Consultation Response from KC Public Health**2022/93248 Piazza Centre, Princess Alexandra Walk, Huddersfield, HD1 2RS**

Demolition of existing Piazza shopping centre; part removal of Queensgate Market; demolition/retention of service tunnels; redevelopment of the site to form new public realm space (including public park and gardens, play areas, public square/outdoor event space); refurbishment and change of use of existing Queensgate Market Hall into food hall (Use Class E (b) sale of food and drink for consumption, mostly, on the premises); refurbishment and extension of existing library and art gallery building to form museum (Use Class F.1); change of use of part existing market hall building and extension to form public library (Use Class F.1); erection of indoor event venue incorporating multi-storey car park below (Sui-Generis); erection of public gallery building (Class F.1); associated infrastructure on land and buildings at Queensgate Market, Huddersfield Library and Art Gallery, and Piazza (and The Shambles) Shopping Centre (part Listed Building/part within a Conservation Area)

Date Responded: 27 October**Responding Officer: Priti Gohil****Responding Ref:**

In Kirklees, the Public Health Improvement Team has developed a Rapid Health Impact Assessment (HIA) framework and guidance tool for planning applications. The purpose of this is to assess the broad health impacts of proposed developments. The Rapid Health Impact Assessment is a material consideration in the Kirklees Local Plan and is listed in the Kirklees Validation List. Public Health Improvement will carry out its' responsibilities, as a consultee for the Kirklees Planning Authority to:

- Apply a Rapid HIA screening methodology at the pre-application/ application stage to identify if a HIA is required for the proposed development
- Review and respond to a submitted HIA, focusing on the health improvement themes relevant to local and national planning policy and the public health priorities which impact on the immediate and surrounding areas of the proposed development.

Public Health Improvement do not provide specialist technical advice or feedback on development proposals such as waste, noise or air quality. This responsibility lies with other council teams and their responses will be provided separately.

Public Health has now reviewed the submitted HIA.

- Public Health has identified further measures and considerations for the Applicant, as outlined in the table below, which look to enhance the proposed development and further improve health and wellbeing outcomes for people and place.
- Public Health request that the proposed measures and considerations set out in the table below for each development issue are incorporated into the proposed development and revisions are made to the submitted HIA and other associated documentation. Public Health is happy to review these revisions.
- Public Health will liaise with the lead Planning Development Case Officer to monitor the implementation of the proposed measures set out in the HIA submission, including any further revisions to the HIA.
- Public Health would welcome further dialogue with the Applicant about the insight gathered through public consultation and how the views will be reflected in the proposed development.

Development issue	Further measures and considerations
Construction Phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The applicant to develop a comprehensive communications plan to outline the operating times of construction works, likely disruption and mitigation measures (diversions/ alternative routes for all users of road and public pathways including Public rights of Way), timelines etc. This is made available using the appropriate comms channels for the existing and surrounding communities in advance of the construction works commencing and during the construction phases thereafter. • To include a mechanism for members of the public to report any

	<p>concerns and these to be addressed in a timely manner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure the Construction Environmental Management Plans (CEMP) and Comms includes personal safety measures and the provision of security on site outside of operating hours. Mitigation measure to prevent anti-social behaviour and crime
Housing	NA
Active travel and sustainable transport	<p>The Travel Plan has been reviewed alongside the response in the submitted HIA. Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The appointed Travel Plan Coordinator to connect with the Council's Active Travel Partnership and West Yorkshire Combined Authority – City Connect to link in with walking and cycling opportunities (e.g. adult cycle, workplace working initiatives, access to bikes etc) • To put in place the provision of safe, secure, accessible and covered cycle parking in the multi storey car park for visitors which will support clear walkways and equitable movement for all in the proposed public spaces.
Access to open and green spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In line with the national Tobacco Control Plan, Public Health encourages the Applicant to include appropriate signage to be erected by the immediate play areas to promote a voluntary code of no smoking / no vaping as part of the Smokefree environment work supported in Kirklees. There is currently Smokefree signage in existing playing areas in Kirklees. Public Health welcome the opportunity to provide input. • Ensure street furniture is tactile, does not limit accessibility and movement for people with mobility and physical disabilities issues, wheelchair and buggy users, those with limited or no sight. • Alongside the proposed safety measures, it would be helpful to include signage to direct people to where defibrillators are located • Signage and maps for ease of navigation of green and blue space throughout the site to increase appeal and encourage use of spaces
Access to healthy and affordable food	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public health welcome the inclusion of a fruit bearing trees in green/ open and communal spaces to encourage healthy eating and biodiversity. Fruit bearing trees in public spaces is also documented in the Statement of Community Involvement submission. • Provision of drinking water refill stations in public spaces • Explore the provision of community growing spaces on site to

	<p>support healthy eating and community cohesion, enterprises</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refer to the Councils Hot Food Takeaway SPD which supports the provision healthy food options • Identifying space within food court for people to bring their own food to foster inclusion and connectedness for those who cannot afford to purchase food. This approach will lend itself well to local workforce wanting to use the space to eat and spend time
Community and personal safety	<p>The HIA states in more than one development issue: <i>Spatial design avoids creating spaces which would be prone to colonisation by groups which can feel threatening to others.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We recommend that this approach is carefully considered and balanced with the needs our population groups experiencing loneliness and isolation across the life course. The public spaces can support social interaction which has been expressed in the insight gathered as part of the consultation activities • The applicant to identify risks to and opportunities for community and personal safety. This will be specific to key populations and will support equity of access as well as community cohesion.
Employment and economic vibrancy	<p>The submitted Economic Statement has been reviewed alongside the HIA. Public Health is encouraged by the economic benefit and gain to be realised through this proposal. Public Health would recommend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Applicant works closely with the local employment schemes, business forums, further and higher education organisations and relevant Council services to ensure employment, training and apprenticeship opportunities are promoted locally, economic benefits and gains are equitable in regard to gender, ethnicity and disability etc • The Applicant sets out clearly the number of apprenticeship places and training and work experience opportunities (entry level through to technical level) are to be supported through the construction phase and thereafter. • The Applicant explores opportunities for hosting 'meet the buyer' events to ensure local supply chains and local labour opportunities are supported as part of the Council's Economic Strategy, Social Value Act and in line with procurement rules.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Applicant to explore opportunities for 'teachable moments' across the local education system to highlight all the occupations to work on the proposed site. Support the facilitation of safe and secure site visits for local students undertaking constructions sector specific training in FE and HE settings and take advantage of a 'live' major development scheme in our place.
Community cohesion and social support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Same as Community and personal safety and to incorporate the insight captured in Consultation activities. The Applicant to provide further detail about how the proposed development will facilitate connectedness and interaction and how local communities will be given ownership and have influence over how spaces are used - especially in relation to children and young people The Applicant to provide further details about the provision and location of safe and accessible public toilets to encourage use of town centre space for all
Climate change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision and safe access to drinking water refill stations to reduce plastic waste Energy efficiency of buildings-insulation, heating, lighting to reduce environmental impact.