

**Consultation Response from KC,
Highways Development Management****2023/92161 Colne Vale Business Park, Colne Vale Road, Milnsbridge, Huddersfield, HD3 4NY****Erection of 3 industrial units****Date Responded: 28/09/23****Responding Officer: CNB****Responding Ref: K2-17NW/2**

This application is for the erection of three industrial units on land within an existing industrial/business park with an existing access on to Colne Vale Road, a 30mph two-way single carriageway local access road of approximately 7m width with a footway on the side of the site and street lighting present. Public Right of Way (PROW) HUD/450/20 runs along Colne Vale Road and crosses the site entrance. The PROW should remain untouched by the proposals and any changes would require written permission from the Kirklees PROW team.

The site is approximately 650m from the closest bus stops on a high frequency route and convenience stores and other services.

There was only 1 slight injury accident within the vicinity of the site over the past 5 years and this was a cycle collision on the canal footpath. It is not envisaged that this type of collision would be accentuated by the application proposals.

The proposals are for the erection of a long industrial building to house three units and the creation of three formal parking spaces to the front of each unit. The units are approximately 85sqm each with a mezzanine of approximately 41sqm. The location of the proposed units is within a fenced area that was previously used for storage and so there would be no loss of site parking or turning space.

No trip generation details were provided with the application, however we do not consider that a proposal of this size and type would generate sufficient traffic as to have a severe impact on the operation or efficiency of the local highway network.

The access is existing and although there would be a slight intensification of use, it is still acceptable. It should be noted that the proposals would create a slight intensification of use of vehicles on the PROW, but as the route is segregated with a pedestrian footpath we don't consider it would have any adverse impacts on highway safety on the PROW.

Drawing No 02 shows the layout of the parking, with an accessible space located to the front of unit C. Four new cycle parking spaces are mentioned within the application form and are indicated on the drawing but no details of the type of cycle parking was provided. The drawing also allows for additional delivery vehicle space to the front entrance of each unit. Although there are no longer any local parking standards for industrial units, the superseded parking standards require 1 space per 50sqm and this is achieved within the proposals. There appears to be sufficient space to allow vehicles to manoeuvre so they can enter and exit the site in forward gear.

Drawing No 02 indicates three large waste bins to be located at the end of the building, this would be acceptable and collection would be expected to be by a private company or by Kirklees commercial waste.

With this we consider the application to be acceptable on highways grounds.

