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Design & Access Statement

TrustFord Huddersfield

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Planning, Design and Access Statement

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Proposed External Alterations to Increase Used Vehicle Display and alter Existing
Customer Parking Arrangements
TrustFord Huddersfield, St Andrews Road, Huddersfield. HD1 6RJ

Introduction

The works for which planning permission is been sought from Kirklees Metropolitan Council include the following: -

- Removal of a section of the existing landscaping area fronting onto Stadium Way, re-alignment of the existing concrete kerbs and the extension of the tarmac surfacing into the area left vacant by the removal of the landscaping.

The site is located at the junction of St Andrews Road & Stadium Way; the area is general commercial.

Current Proposal

The current proposal involves works to the external hardstanding area and the landscaping strip that runs along the Stadium Way boundary. No alterations to the existing buildings are planned as part of these works for which planning permission is been requested. Currently the site provides approximately 153 vehicle spaces made up of 141 customer and 12 sales. The new layout will provide 178 vehicle spaces made up of 128 customer and 50 sales spaces.

The move away from the internal combustion engine to electric vehicles will change the way the site is operated going forward. Electric vehicles require less time in the workshop for servicing and repairs (fewer moving parts to wear out) The length of time a vehicle is on site is also reduced, services take less time to complete on electric vehicles. This has already been seen in the frequency of vehicles coming to site and the length of time each vehicle is on site.

The proposed works will not impact upon the vehicle storage compound which will be retained.

Scale

The proposed works will not impact the scale or massing of the existing building. The existing structure will remain unchanged.

Materials

The materials used i.e. tarmac and PC concrete kerbs will match the existing materials already used on site.

Access

The proposed changes do not impact the existing access or egress from the site.

Landscaping

The landscaping to be removed is of low-quality offering very little visual interest or ecological benefits. See the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and BNG Reports for additional information.

Local Infrastructure

The development will have no impact upon local infrastructure or services.

