



Planning Services
Kirklees Metropolitan Council
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PP-14184265

8 September 2025

Dear Sir/Madam,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 (AS AMENDED)
PROPOSED REDEVELOPMENT OF CO-OP ACADEMY SMITHIES MOOR
CO-OP ACADEMY SMITHIES MOOR, LEEDS OLD RD, HECKMONDWIKE, WF16 9BB
PLANNING PORTAL REF: PP-14184265**

On behalf of Bowmer and Kirkland for Co-Op Academy Smithies Moor and the Department for Education, please find enclosed a full planning application at the above site for the following development:

“Redevelopment of school, including demolition of existing buildings and construction of replacement single storey school building with external works including provision of a forest school, hard and soft PE and play spaces, car and cycle parking, bin store, sub-station, pedestrian and vehicle access, and landscaping.”

In addition to this cover letter, the application is supported by the following suite of documents, which was agreed via email with Nina Sayers (Planner – Development Management) on 3 April 2025:

- Application Form and Ownership Certificate;
- Planning and Landscape Drawings prepared by One-Environments, including:
 - Location Plan (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0001 P02);
 - Existing Site Plan (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0002 P02);
 - Whole Site Plan (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0003 P08);
 - Site Demolition Plan (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0010 P01);
 - General Arrangement External Area Provision (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0007 P04);
 - General Arrangement Green Infrastructure Plan (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0008 P03);
 - Site Sections (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0401 P03);
 - Outline Levels Plan (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0402 P02);
 - Tree Retention Plan (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0009 P02);
 - Access and Security strategy (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0004 P05).
 - Planting Strategy (ref: SRP1128-ONE-ZZ-XX-D-L-0016 P02).
- Existing Building Drawings prepared by HSP Consulting, including:
 - Existing Lower Ground Floor Plan (ref: C4197-HSP-00-00-DR--C-601 P01);
 - Existing Ground Floor Plan (ref: C4197-HSP-00-00-DR--C-602 P01);
 - Existing First Floor Plan (ref: C4197-HSP-00-00-DR--C-603 P01); and
 - Existing Elevations (ref: C4197-HSP-00-00-DR--C-600 P01).

- Proposed Building Planning Drawings prepared by Pick Everard, including:
 - Proposed Floor Plans GA Level 00 (ref: SRP1128-PEV-01-00-D-A-1205 C01);
 - Proposed Floor Plans GA Level 01 (ref: SRP1128-PEV-01-01-D-A-1206 P02);
 - Proposed Roof Plans GA (ref: SRP1128-PEV-01-RF-D-A-1207 P02);
 - Planning Elevations (ref: SRP1128-PEV-01-ZZ-D-A-3105 P02);
 - Proposed Section 1 (ref: SRP1128-PEV-01-ZZ-D-A-4105 P01);
 - Proposed Section 2 (ref: SRP1128-PEV-01-ZZ-D-A-4106 P01);
 - Proposed Section 3 (ref: SRP1128-PEV-01-ZZ-D-A-4107 C01);
- Design and Access Statement prepared by Pick Everard;
- Planning Statement prepared by WSP;
- Crime Impact Statement prepared by Toren Consulting (ref: COASM-TOR-SY-ZZ-RP-Y-0001 Rev 02);
- Statement of Community Involvement prepared by Stonyrock (3 September 2025);
- Health Impact Assessment prepared by WSP;
- Tree Survey Report including Tree Survey Plan and Tree Constraints Plan prepared by Antea Group (ref: SRP1128-ANT-XX-XX-T-O-0003 16 June 2025);
- Tree Constraints Plan prepared by Antra Group (ref: 2025-04-569099-3);
- Arboricultural Impact Assessment prepared by Antea Group (ref: SRP1128-ANT-XX-XX-T-O-0004 16 June 2025);
- Arboricultural Method Statement for Enabling, Construction and Demolition Phases of Work including Tree Protection Plan (ref: SRP1128-ANT-XX-XX-T-O-0002 16 June 2025);
- Nocturnal Bat Survey Report prepared by Indigo Surveys (ref: 231113/E1);
- Biodiversity Enhancement Plan prepared by Antea Group (ref: 2025-04-569099)
- Preliminary Ecological Appraisal prepared by RSK (ref: 2484726);
- Ecological Impact Assessment prepared by Antea Group (ref: SRP1128-ANT-XX-XX-T-O-0001 16 June 2025);
- Habitat Condition Assessment prepared by Antea Group (13 June 2025);
- Draft Biodiversity Gain Plan prepared by Antea Group (1 August 2025) and associated Biodiversity Metric;
- Invasive Species Management Plan prepared by Antea (ref: SRP-1128-ANT-XX-XX-L-O-0006 20 June 2025);
- Flood Risk Assessment prepared by Morgan Structural Limited (ref: SRP1128-MRG-ZZ-XX-T-C-0003 P03);
- Drainage Layout (ref: SRP1128-MRG-ZZ-00-D-C-5201 P06);
- Drainage Layout (ref: SRP1128-MRG-ZZ-00-D-C-5202 P02);
- Phase 1 and Phase 2 Geo-environmental and Geotechnical Factual and Interpretative Report prepared by RSK (ref: 323197-R02(00));
- Coal Mining Risk Assessment prepared by Sweco (ref: 65208318-SWE-XX-XX-T-GE-0001 C01);
- Ground Investigation Report prepared by Hexa (ref: 601124 -HEX-XX-XX-RP-GE-0001 P02);
- Ground Investigation Summary letter prepared by Hexa (ref: 01124-HEX-XX-XX-RP-GE-0002);
- Transport Statement prepared by Eddisons (June 2025);
- Travel Plan prepared by Local Transport Projects;
- Noise Assessment prepared by Ramboll (ref: SRP1128-RMB-XX-XX-T-J-0002 P01);
- External Lighting Layout prepared by RPS (ref: SRP1128-RPS-ZZ-ZZ-D-E-6322 P01);
- Climate Change Template Completed by RPS and B&K;
- Construction Environmental Management Plan Rev P3 including Proposed Construction Site Access drawing (ref: 4778-F01 Rev B) prepared by B&K;
- Phasing Plans prepared by B&K;
- Commercial Kitchen Odour Assessment prepared by Miller Goodall (ref: AQ103333).

The planning application fee of £13,970 based on the creation of 1,635sqm of floorspace (gross external area), has been paid online via the Planning Portal.



I would be grateful for your written confirmation of the registration and validation of the application. As per the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure and Section 62A Applications) (England) (Amendment) Order 2021, we trust that the determination period for this application for public service infrastructure, will be 10 weeks from validation.

Similarly, given that the submitted Planning Statement demonstrates that the proposals comply with the development plan and other material considerations, we trust that the application can be determined under delegated powers and that it is not required to be determined by the Council's Planning Committee.

If you have any questions relating to this application, please let me know.

Yours faithfully

Fraser Dann
Associate