



Consideration should be given to the day to day operational requirements of Marsden Infant and Nursery School arising from the proposed New Mill development.

The school has no on site staff parking and relies on parking in close proximity to operate safely and effectively.

Staff require ready access to their own vehicles as part of their professional and safeguarding responsibilities, including:

Collecting vulnerable pupils to ensure safe arrival at school

Undertaking home visits in cases of unexplained absence

Transporting pupils to and from educational or welfare related activities

Responding to emergency situations, such as transporting a child to hospital or home

Any reduction in the availability of nearby parking would have a direct adverse impact on school operations.

The school also requires regular and unrestricted access for delivery, maintenance, and utility vehicles throughout the year to maintain safe and effective functioning.

Potential impacts on parking availability and vehicle access should be considered both during the construction phase and after completion of the development.

Appropriate planning conditions or mitigation measures should be included to ensure that the school's essential operational needs are not compromised by the proposal.

As a potential mitigation measure, consideration could be given to utilising the area of 'waste' or under used ground adjacent to the school and adapting it to provide: dedicated staff parking for the school; and access and turning space for delivery, maintenance, and utility vehicles.

The inclusion of this or a similar solution through appropriate planning conditions or design amendments would help ensure that the school's essential operational needs are safeguarded and not compromised by the proposed development.