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Our ref: 65150/02/JG/RBa/41014770v1

Your ref: 2025/70/91084/W

Dear Ms Chew

Joseph Norton Academy: Application to discharge condition 19, 20, 21 of planning permission 2025/70/91084/W

On behalf of Kirklees Council, we are pleased to submit an application to discharge condition 19, 20 and 21 of planning permission 2025/70/91084/W for the permitted Joseph Norton Academy, located at the site of the former Deighton Centre, Deighton Road, Huddersfield, HD2 1JP.

Planning permission was granted on the 13 May 2024 (ref. 2023/48/93350/W) for the:

“Development of former Deighton Centre (previously Deighton High School) for a social emotional and mental health school (Use Class F1) comprising single and two storey educational buildings; roof mounted photo-voltaic panels; sensory garden spaces; multi-use games areas; landscaping; hardstanding areas; carparking; access with secure fencing and ancillary development.”

An application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) was submitted in April 2025 which sought the variation of this approval to reflect proposed amendments to the building and external elements. This application was granted on the 03 July 2025 (ref. 2025/70/91084/W).

An application under Section 96A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) was submitted in January 2026 which sought a number of non-material amendments to the scheme. This was granted on 29 January 2026 (ref. 2026/90154).

Condition 19

Condition 19 states:

“Before first occupation details regarding the technical specification of the 12 electric vehicle charging points (EVCPs) must be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This scheme must meet the minimum requirements in the current West Yorkshire Low Emission Strategy (WYLES) document. The approved facilities for charging electric vehicles must be installed before occupation and retained for use thereafter.”

The location of the 12 EVCP charging points are shown on the approved General Arrangement Landscaping Plan. The enclosed specification document provides detail of the Sevadis Electric Vehicle Charger which is proposed to be installed.

Whilst not a requirement of the condition, ducting will be installed within spaces to the south of the proposed EV charging bays to facilitate future provision.

The Sevadis Electric Vehicle Charger Specification Document satisfies the requirements of Condition 19 and, on this basis, Condition 19 can be discharged.

Condition 20

Condition 20 states:

“Before the installation of external artificial lighting commences, a lighting scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme should include the following information applicable to both the site and to the MUGAs:

- a The proposed hours of operation of the lighting*
- b The location and specification of all of the luminaires*
- c The proposed design level of maintained average horizontal illuminance for the areas that needs to be illuminated.*
- d The measures that will be taken to minimise or eliminate glare and stray light arising from the use of the lighting that is caused beyond the boundary of the site*
- e The methods of switching and controlling the lighting so that it is only operated at the permitted times and at times when it is required.*

No external artificial lighting shall be used unless the lighting has been installed and operated in accordance with the approved scheme.”

The enclosed External Lighting Layout (ref. JNA-GAH-00-XX-D-E-6322-Electrical Services External Lighting Layout-C01) sets out the location and specification of the luminaires, levels of luminance, and demonstrates that light will not spill beyond the boundary. A specification sheet is also enclosed which sets out the technical specification of the lighting.

The hours of operation of the lighting and methods of controlling the lighting are set out below.



Table 1

Main entrances / pedestrian routes	5am - 8am (winter months for gritting operations) & Dusk to 22:00. Photocell and timeclock controlled.
Car parks	5am-8am (winter months for gritting operations) & Dusk to 22:00. Photocell and timeclock controlled.
Sports / MUGA lighting	Manual Switch in PE_ST-EXT G074 and to operate during MUGA usage only.
Security / perimeter lighting	5am-8am (winter months for gritting operations) & Dusk to 22:00. Photocell and timeclock controlled.

Condition 21

Condition 21 states:

“Prior to the development being first brought into use and notwithstanding the submitted plans, a scheme for the provision of photovoltaic arrays shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The approved scheme shall be installed and made operational prior to the first occupation and shall be retained for the lifetime of the development.”

The submitted drawing ‘Roof PV Layout’ (JNA GAH 01 ZZ D E 6901) shows the location of the proposed PV Panels. The proposed specification report, prepared by G&H, sets out the technical detail of the proposed PV Panels.

On this basis, Condition 21 can be discharged.

Application Submission

This application has been submitted via the Planning Portal (ref. PP-14863057) and comprises:

- Competed application form;
- This covering letter;
- Sevadis Electric Vehicle Charger Specification;
- External Lighting Layout (ref. JNA-GAH-00-XX-D-E-6322-Electrical Services External Lighting Layout-C01);
- Lighting Specification Sheet;
- Roof PV Layout (JNA GAH 01 ZZ D E 6901); and
- PV Specification Report.

The application fee has been paid via the Planning Portal.

Summary

We trust that sufficient information has been provided to validate and determine this application. If you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me or my colleague Jonathan Standen.

Yours faithfully

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