

Planning application – Design, Access & Supporting Statement

Property name Merton Infant School

Property address

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Works Provision of Modular Temporary Classroom

Existing Building and Site

Merton Infant School Hampshire, in keeping with the national picture, has experienced a significant rise in births over the past 10 years. This, together with housing development in various parts of the county, is resulting in pressure on primary school places this has necessitate the need for additional temporary accommodation at this location Merton is a popular Infant school in Basingstoke with an approximate initial build date of 1969. The School is made up of traditional brick built construction with additional steel framed buildings added at later dates. This new proposed modular building is going to be provided to the School due to the increase of pupil admission numbers. A double classroom will be required for the new intakes in readiness for September 2012. The new building will be placed on the existing School playground within it's own boundary. The building will comply with current Building Regulations and be fitted out to a high standard as required by the school for teaching.

Brief

The building is single storey of modular construction size 18100mm long x 8600mm wide, height 3510mm high. The units are factory engineered modules that are delivered to the site and bolted together on the premises this type of construction ensures swift installation normally one or two days for delivery and then one week on site for connecting services, steps and ramps as required. Internally fitting out the building is carried out after the building is made watertight. The building is clad with steel on 12mm grade ply to give a robust and self finished and self maintaining external surface.

Buildings & Plant/ Servicing

The units are constructed on a timber frame with timber roof trusses. Steel RSJ to underside of floor joists a choice of external finishes –. Plastisol steel cladding to external surface finish

The building will have UPVC double-glazed windows with trickle vents and top openers to assist airflow. Decoration includes vinyl faced plasterboard to all internal walls, ash-faced internal doors with half-an-hour fire rating, stained timber skirting and timber mounted coat-hooks; included with installation is air conditioning to provide warm and cool air options, or electric convector heating. Foul drainage will be provided using the existing infrastructure on the site.

Highways

It is not proposed to alter the existing highways following extensive consultation regarding the location on the school site it was agreed that the best place is as shown on the enclosed drawing. This location was decided as the only area available that is near existing facilities on the school site. It is important that the students that will use this facility will not feel isolated from the rest of the school. Extra car parking places will not be provided on site to accommodate the staff teaching in the new building as there is adequate parking on the site on the other side of the road where the staff already park.

Access and Design

The new modular building is to have a stepped access to the main entrance the requirement for ramped access can be provided for in the future should the School have the need Presently the School provide ambulant and disabled users alternative arrangements from within the Schools existing infrastructure. The main entrance door will have a minimum width of 1000mm with internal door widths at 900mm.

Environmental Protection

Working hours are between the hours of 7.30 am and 5.30 pm weekdays

Landscape Design

It is not proposed to provide any landscaping in the area.

Ecology/Biodiversity

There are no known ecological issues in the area.

Archaeology

No known archaeological findings are in the area.