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Response to Planning application from Hertfordshire County Council (T and CP GDP Order 1995)

District ref: S6/2010/1622/FP

HCC ref: WH/208/2010 (Amended)

HCC received: 06/09/2010 Area manager: James Dale Case officer: Lindsey Lucas

Location

The Galleria Comet Way Hatfield AL10 0YD

Application type

Full application

Proposal

Change of use from car park to learning garden

Amendment

new documents added to dataspace

Decision

Notice is given under article 10 of the Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995 that the Hertfordshire County Council as Highway Authority does not wish to restrict the grant of permission.

The proposal is for an area of the Galleria car park which is currently marked out with 13 car parking spaces be converted into a 'learning garden'. It is proposed that the garden is used by local educational and community groups and access to the site will be managed by The Galleria. The site will be provided with parking for a mini bus and cycle hoops.

Although the proposal will result in the loss of 13 spaces this meets with Government policy in PPG13 which states that local authorities should not require developers to provide more spaces than they themselves wish providing this will not an a significant impact for road safety. In terms of the overall level of parking at the Galleria the loss of these spaces could not be considered a significant loss. The provision of cycle racks and mini bus parking will help ensure that the site is accessible by modes other than the private car.

Hertfordshire County Council as highway authority has no objection to the proposal.

Lindsey Lucas

Date 15/09/2010

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