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Subject: Planning application N6/2010/2461/FP - Former Cereal Partnership, Western Side

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

District ref: N6/2010/2461/FP

HCC ref: WH/271/2010

HCC received: 02/11/2010

Area manager: James Dale

Case officer: Lindsey Lucas

Location

Former Cereal Partnership, Western Side

Hyde Way

Welwyn garden City

Application type

Full application

Proposal

Retention of use of land into a temporary car park for 12 months

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 recommends that permission be refused for the following reasons:

The proposal for parking is contrary to the aims of Planning Policy Guidance 13 (Transport) and the County Council Local Transport Plan Long Term Local Transport Plan Strategies.

COMMENTS: This application for is for the temporary use of the site as a public car park. No supporting evidence has been submitted to demonstrate the need for additional parking in the area, or whether the proposal is related to any development. PPG13 which states that the availability of car parking has a major influence on the means of transport people choose for their journeys. It goes on to state that, 'reducing the amount of parking in new development (and in the expansion and change of use in existing development) is essential, as part of a package of planning and transport measures, to promote sustainable travel choices'. Additional stand alone parking unrelated to development does not support the aims of PPG13 or the County Council's Local Transport Plan Long Term Local Transport Plan Strategies which states that "Car parking is one of the key elements in managing the highway network and encouraging alternatives to the car. The overall aims of the parking strategy include to reduce dependence on the car, particularly in town centr

Lindsey Lucas

Date 22/11/2010

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