



# Hampshire County Council

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Dear Sir,

**Planning Application Number** :O/18/84191

**Site Address** : GE Aviation, Kings Avenue, Hamble-Le-Rice, SO31 4NF

**Proposal** : "Outline application with all matters reserved (except means of access) for the construction of up to 148 residential dwellings (Use Class C3) with new vehicular access to Hamble Lane, alterations to Kings Avenue and Coronation Parade, new car parking for existing sports facilities, employment use and residential properties, landscaping, improvements to existing bowls and football facilities on site and other associated works. Demolition of non-original extensions to Sydney Lodge (Grade II\* Listed Building) and redundant factory buildings"

**Location**: GE Aviation, Kings Avenue, Hamble–Le –Rice, Southampton, SO31 4NF

Thank you for consulting Hampshire County Council as Local Education Authority on the above planning application, which has been passed to me for comment.

The proposed development of 148 dwellings is expected to generate 44 additional primary age children and 31 secondary age children. This is based on a figure of 0.3 primary age children per new dwelling and 0.21 secondary age children which was derived by conducting demographic surveys of developments that have been completed within Hampshire and calculating the average number of primary and secondary age children on those developments.

The development site is served by Hamble Primary School. The school is currently full and has no places available to cater for the additional children that will be yielded from this development. However, given the size of the development a new 0.5fe expansion will be required. **The required primary contribution is £776,204 (based on BCIS All in TPI 4Q 2017).**

The development site served by Hamble College is also at capacity and therefore a contribution to mitigate the additional 28 secondary pupils is also required to remodel an existing building to create additional capacity. **The required secondary contribution is £290,648 (based on BCIS All in TPI 2Q 2018).**

*Director of Children's Services*  
**Steve Crocker**

The County Council has used recent past projects to derive costs for the proposed expansion/s – details and a explanation can be found in the County Council's Developers Contributions Guidance using the following link:

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/education/school/school-places>

It is not possible to advise on the detail of the works required to the school(s) at this stage, as feasibility studies and consultation must be undertaken to identify the best way of accommodating the children however, the contribution will be used to directly mitigate the impact of the development and any part of the contribution that is not utilised will be returned to the developer. As more detailed work is undertaken the County Council can provide a site specific estimate of costs. Financial contributions may change depending on the make-up and timing of the development.

In summary, the contribution towards the new 0.5fe expansion of Hamble Primary School and the provision of additional secondary school places at Hamble College are necessary because the local schools are currently forecast to be at capacity and without expansion will not be able to accommodate the children from the development. The level of contribution being sought is based on the number of children expected to be living on the development and the expected cost of accommodating these children at the primary school on site and secondary provision nearby and therefore is fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development. This information is supported by the County Council's '*Planning for School Places Guidance Document*' which sets out the methodology for assessing the impact of development on education infrastructure.

By way of this response I have made Hampshire County Council legal team aware of this application in order to begin discussion on the s106.

### **Recommendation**

The County Council, as Local Education Authority, raises no objection to the planning application subject to the applicant entering into a section 106 agreement to secure a contribution of **£776,204** towards a 0.5fe expansion of Hamble Primary School and **£290,648** towards additional secondary school places at Hamble College in order to mitigate the impact of the development on educational infrastructure and ensure that sufficient school places are provided to accommodate the additional children expected to be generated by the development.

Without the provision of a contribution towards the provision of additional school places the County Council, as Local Education Authority, would object to the proposal on the grounds that the impact on the existing infrastructure cannot be sufficiently mitigated and therefore the development is unacceptable in planning terms.

If you have any queries concerning the above, or wish to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me on (01962) 846293.

Yours faithfully,



Mark Saunders  
On behalf of the Director of Children's Services

