

Appeal 6010036

Interested party comments

Appeal type	Planning
Appeal procedure	Written
Appeal site	Emmaus School, School Lane, Staverton, Trowbridge, BA14 6NZ
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Local planning authority	Wiltshire
Application number	PL/2026/00464

Interested party 1

Comments

I do not support this appeal, I previously submitted comments to this original application but not sure if they were received.

The contractors that removed the original wall are the ones responsible for damaging the wall as they wanted to make their lives easier for access. They have told me this in person as well as I work in the industry and talked to them on a daily basis. They should have been made to reinstate the original wall as it was a historic asset to the street. The 2m fence could have easily been installed behind it without loss of space or access.

The 3m fence which is what I believe the appeal relates to is completely not in keeping with the street scene nor the rest of the fencing around Emmaus. It is one of the first things that is seen when entering School Lane and greatly detracts from the rest of the street. The poor state of their "car park" and fencing around it also doesn't help anything.

Emmaus has made no effort to add any greenery or replace any of the trees and shrubs they removed during the renovation. The site is steel and tarmac desert void of life. Most of the neighbours I have talked to compare it to a prison or industrial site rather than a school that you would want to send your children to.

Please look at the way Staverton School has softened the fencing with plants/hedging and compare it to the black tarmac with black steel fencing that Emmaus have created. Surely there was a clause in their original application that would have covered some biodiversity net gain?

They also have very bright security lights around the property that are often left on over night and cannot be in line with the original application which said they would comply with the low exterior

lighting for the bats in our area. I have failed to spot a single bat in our garden since the completion of their build, whereas we used to spot a handful per night. [REDACTED]

Supporting documents	No documents
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Interested party 2

Comments	Please can you kindly consider a 3 metre fence for the playing area so that children are protected whilst playing soft ball. Also with increasing crime in the UK this should be considered paramount for safety. Thank you for your time. [REDACTED]
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Supporting documents	No documents
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