

DRAFT Chippenham Cycle Network Development Group (Cycle Chippenham) response to PL/2026/04202: Emmanuel Church, Goldney Avenue, Chippenham, SN15 1ND

Proposal: Retrospective permission for a double length standard Portakabin to be used on a Sunday morning for 2 Sunday School class rooms

Cycle Chippenham response

As a Cycle Network Development Group, we make no comment on the suitability of the site for the proposed use. Our response will focus solely on cycle provision for the site, based on the proposals being put forward.

We offer no objection in principle to this development.

However, we believe there is currently no cycle parking on the site.

As these portakabins are adding floorspace to the site, it is reasonable to assume that more people will use the site as a result. Therefore, steps should be taken to encourage those people to travel to the site by means other than the private car.

Requirement: As this is adding net new floorspace to the site, we would expect there to be covered cycle parking provided for people using the church.

This should comply with the numbers of spaces set out in LTN 1/20 table 11-1. Importantly, given the family-friendly nature of the church, we would ask that the cycle parking be designed to accommodate longer and wider cycles that enable people to transport their children – e.g. cargo ‘box bikes’, long-tail cargo cycles, and cycles with trailers.

Cycle Chippenham would be happy to work with the applicant to help design an appropriate cycle parking facility. The applicant is free to email us on hello@cyclechippenham.org to discuss this.

Policy and standards justification:

- Wiltshire Core Policies 60 and 61
- NPPF 115a, 115b, 117a, 117b, 117c
- LTN 1/20

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