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## Clarification of Additional Information

Ref. SD22A/0461

**Applicant:** The Minister for Education & Skills

Development: A new two storey extension linked to the existing primary school consisting of a new 2 Classbase Special Educational Needs facility with ancillary accommodation on ground floor and additional teaching rooms to first floor. (total area 842sq.m); Associated ancillary siteworks to include revised carparking layout (total no. 31), the demolition of existing external & bin store with new external & bin store to be located near main entrance gate (total area 25.5sq.m), existing bicycle shelter to be relocated next to new external store with provision for additional bicycle spaces to be included and any accompanying landscaping works; The provision of 12sq.m of photovoltaic panels to extension roof.

Location: Esker Educate Together National School, Lucan, Co Dublin

**Application Type:** Permission

Dear Sir/Madam,

With reference to the clarification of additional information received on the 30-06-2023, please see below responses to each point and any additional/updated drawings shall be referenced & attached.

1. 1. Roads request that the traffic movements within the carparking area are carefully considered and assessed as a core issue, and that a revised RSA is submitted.

The revised RSA is attached. Traffic movements within the carparking area have been carefully considered in this further information package.

2. Roads have concerns for pedestrians accessing the school grounds through the northern gate (beside roundabout) and that pupils may opt to walk across the roundabout rather than walk to the pedestrian crossing point. This needs to be addressed in the RSA (Road Safety Audit) and possible measures proposed.

The RSA has not noted any issues with the internal traffic movements in the report. The school has informed us that this pedestrian entrance is not used by the pupils or staff and remains locked. They use the pedestrian entrance further east and the main entrance on the northwest. As this pedestrian entrance to the north may be used in the future, we have introduced a pedestrian crossing point at the entrance to the car parking, near the roundabout, to allow pupil & staff to cross the road safety, if required to do so. This issue has also been addressed in the updated road safety audit. Please refer to our update site plan (20782-OPP-00-00-DR-A-9203-PL-P03) which indicated the new pedestrian crossing point.

3. MID (mobility impaired driver) spaces should be located as per original drawing (on the condition that the parking rationale is in line with the CDP 2022-28).

As stated in the further information package issued previously, it was necessary to revise the car parking layout to optimise the full extent of the car park. We currently believe that the MID (mobility impaired driver) spaces are best placed beside the set down as they are closer to each entrance of the main school & SEN extension and are easier to access.

4. Applicant to provide a revised drawing showing where the additional 30no. bicycle parking spaces will be located (and confirmation that they will be covered).

We have indicated 30no. new covered bike stands adjacent to the relocated bike stands on the west of the site. We have also added a covered bike stands detail drawings. Please see attached drawings which illustrate our answers above (20782-OPP-00-00-DR-A-9203-PL-P03 & 20782-OPP-00-ZZ-DR-A-9212-PL-P02).

If anything is unclear above, please feel free to call me on 01 8899800

Yours sincerely,
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