## Planning Application 13/2102/FUL DENMEAD SCHOOL, GLOUCESTER ROAD SITE

STATEMENT OF OBJECTION BY THE DENMEAD NEIGHBOURS' ASSOCIATION

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# **Gloucester Road**

Even with proposed % of school traffic diverted to Carlisle Park entrance, there are clearly still big problems...

# Even with fewer school cars **and** staff monitoring, surrounding roads block very easily and quickly

Morning drop-off in April 2013 / 8:22am



Note: Times shown in GMT

### EVIDENCE: 15 minute gridlock on Gloucester Road - At school gate

Afternoon pick-up on 14 May 2013 – A rainy day a few weeks AFTER SKM traffic strips have been removed

Safety concern as frustrated motorcyclist (circled right) with child passenger mounts and drives on pavement within 100m of school gate for over five house lengths to get through jam



- Tempers boil over as drivers and Denmead bus driver stand outside vehicles in total gridlock
- U-turns require mounting pavement and turning is mostly only possible in empty, resident drives
- No quick or easy way out in either direction many dangerous and in some cases *illegal* manoeuvres required to resolve the jam (both directions of Gloucester Road shown below)



#### Video evidence provided



## Jams often build up quickly and cause long delays

#### 23 April 2013, Afternoon Pick-up





No-where to pass as queues quickly build

## There have been many similar instances of **Gloucester Rd congestion since Sept 2012**

28 March 2013 – last day of term, half-day pick up



13:07:12 BST

13:07:28 BST

13:07:45 BST

## Inconsiderate parking – blocking driveways





- Vehicles both large and small cause obstruction
- Independent of the weather



Denmead parent's car **parked and** — **unattended** in a resident's drive

 Lowered pavement entrance to driveway



## Inconsiderate and hazardous parking – obscuring sight



Away from the kerb and obstructing safe passage

Shortage of parking spots leads to parking on corners and

on pavements





## Traffic problems spreading to cul-de-sacs

- Wensleydale Gardens, Carlisle Road/Scotts Drive are now experiencing parking problems as parents choose not to follow School's requests.
- Parents have specifically been asked to park on Wensleydale Road near the main park entrance and then walk their boys across the park.
- The School's Travel Plan is based on this assumption and on assumed number of available spaces on Wensleydale Road near main park entrance.
- The following slide demonstrates that it is very hard to change parents/carers' behaviour, even with the pressure of a planning application



# Inconsiderate and illegal parking occurs, showing the unsustainability of the school's influence on behaviour

Advisory Notice at Denmead's Wensleydale Road School





Loss of green open space will cause harm to the character and openness of the open land (OOLTI)



High chain link fencing on MUGA not open space

# Examples of Hampton's suburban neighbourhood character surrounding Denmeand School



Local prep school buildings, including Denmead's current buildings, generally fit in









Not in Character: Denmead School's proposals would fit well with Hampton's industrial and commercial buildings, not next to Carlisle Park and the surrounding neighbourhood



### APPENDIX – EXTRACTS FROM PHOTO EVIDENCE SUBMITTED TO STATEMENT OF OBJECTION TO 11/4125/FUL IN DECEMBER 2011

There is a 'new' application, but the issues remain



Note: References are to page numbers in the original 12/11 statement of objection<sub>16</sub>

## Traffic issues – Gloucester Road

Frequent road blockages – at school drop-off and pick-up times









## Traffic issues – Gloucester Road

Illegal & problem parking







## Traffic issues – Gloucester Road

Blocked drive-ways – delays to neighbours and potential danger to pedestrians and cyclists





Traffic issues create hazardous situation for cyclist (carrying toddler)







## Gloucester Road – before & during school drop-off



7.45 am Road relatively clear



8.00 – 8.45 am school drop-off



## Gloucester Road – before & during school drop-off

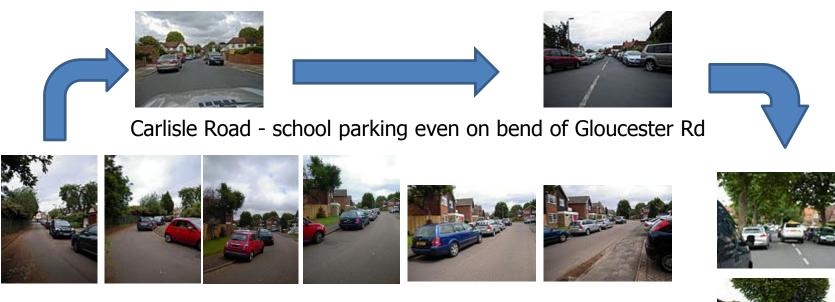
Road already at full capacity – no passing places, no way through



Knock-on effect onto Broad Lane – causes blockage for cars in both directions



# Traffic issues – weekend school event engulfs neighbours' parking spaces



Scotts Drive - All available space taken up by school parking



Gloucester Road – no passing places left so cars making u-turns into driveways to let cars through



### IMPACT OF SCHOOL TRAFFIC – typical day Wensleydale Gardens & Road







#### Parking around Wensleydale Road (WR) and Wensleydale Gardens (WG) junction during school drop-off & pick-up









#### View into WG



#### View S towards WR/WG junction

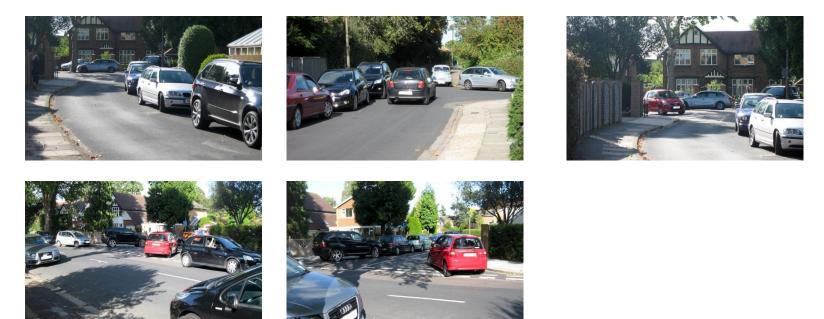


1 April 2011 Parking around Wensleydale Road (WR) and Wensleydale Gardens (WG) junction during lunchtime pickup

#### View of junction WG/WR



21/9/11 Parking and Traffic around Wensleydale Gardens/Wensleydale Road junction during afternoon pickup





14/12/11 Congestion and parking on the kerb in Wensleydale Road just N of Wensleydale Gardens, at afternoon pickup time

18/1/12 Afternoon pickup effect on parking: Top row around 3.40 pm, bottom row around 4.20 pm



#### View from WG towards WR



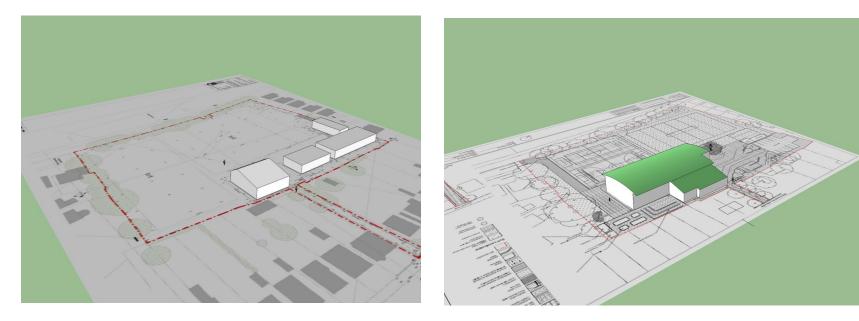








### IMPACT OF BUILDING - OOLTI ZONE



Existing building and layout

Proposed building and layout

### VIEW FROM CARLISLE PARK – Public Open Space – OOLTI ZONE



Existing building from Carlisle Park

#### Proposed building overpowers all around



### IMPACT OF BUILDING – DISREGARDS NEIGHBOURLINESS

CURRENT

#### PROPOSED

PROPOSED – Architect's view

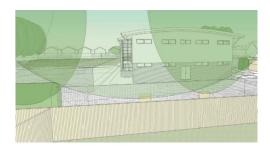












### ACCESS – WENSLEYDALE GARDENS

Normal parking



Access difficulty & tree damage





Hedge would be replaced by gate



## ACCESS – WENSLEYDALE GARDENS

Spot the well-used pedestrian gate into Carlisle Park?



The park access is concealed – outlined to highlight major safety issue of heavy construction traffic



### LIGHTING – Existing scale of building

## High-intensity security lights cause disturbance



## Glare from lights light up the upstairs rooms in Scotts Drive

