

Equality Impact Assessment

Name of project/proposal Woodcroft Primary School Lovedean Havant - Sale of surplus land
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Description of Service / Policy

There is no Service being materially affected. There are no Staff being materially affected

Geographical impact* Havant

Description of proposed change

Post the amalgamation of Meadowlands infants and Junior schools into a 1 FE Primary, and post the demolition of the Infants school and the construction of a new levelled and drained junior playing pitch :- The sale of 1.48ha (3.66 acres) of surplus playing field at Woodcroft Primary school for residential housing development, which has outline planning permission for 43 new dwellings.

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

Public presentation by Hampshire County Council at Havant Borough Council developers forum.

Consultation and discussions with the Local Planning Authority planning and highways officers

Public consultation within the planning application process via online objections process by the Local Planning Authority

Numerous meetings with the school head teacher and chair of governors to inform the project outcomes.

The above resulted in negotiated design alterations to the indicative outline planning application development layout.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Statutory considerations

Statutory considerations	Impact
Age	Neutral
Disability	Neutral
Sexual Orientation	Neutral
Race	Neutral
Religion and Belief	Neutral

Gender Reassignment Neutral

Gender Neutral

Marriage and civil
partnership Neutral

Pregnancy and
Maternity Neutral

Other policy considerations

Poverty Neutral

Rurality Neutral

Neutrality Statement No adverse impact on any of the protected groups. This is because the site is surplus for disposal and has been effectively re-provided. The land is therefore not being used currently.

Additional Information

The disposal of the surplus land for redevelopment will accrue a capital receipt to reinvest in an already substantially complete project and any surplus into the central HCC accounts for onward use.

The onward use of the land for redevelopment allows for a mixed tenure housing scheme in a sustainable location for members of the wider community subject to the normal Local planning authority planning policies and national building regulations. The final design and layout of the proposed development will be subject to detailed discussions and negotiations between the LPA and the developer.

The recommended preferred purchaser is an "affordable provider" of housing.

The indicative layout in the outline planning application provides guidance for a wide unit and tenure mix.

The retained school land is sufficient in size to accommodate expansion from the existing 1Form Entry school to 2 FE in the future if required.

The indicative layout allows for multiple access points to the school from an increased number of directions which can be operationally managed by the school.