



Delegated Report

Kent County Council Consultation Application

Application No:	20230599
Location:	Meopham School, Wrotham Road, Meopham, Gravesend, Kent, DA13 0AH
Description:	KCC Consultation - Proposed addition of 2no. double modular temporary classroom units to be stacked on 2no. existing single storey modular units, required until July 2024.
Applicant:	KCC, Planning Applications Group

Kent County Council (KCC), as the determining Planning Authority, has consulted Gravesham Borough Council (GBC) for its views on an additional no.2 double modular temporary classroom units to be stacked on no.2 existing single storey modular units until July 2024.

Relevant Planning History

Reference	Description	Decision	Decision Date
20221281	KCC Consultation - Request for an extension of a further 2 years of temporary planning consent permitted under planning reference GR/19/1121 for the 2no. existing double mobile classroom units.	OBSERVATIONS SENT	14.12.2022
20191121	KCC Consultation KCC/GR/0225/2019 - Installation of a temporary single storey Portakabin classroom building to be hired for a period of 3 years.	OBSERVATIONS SENT	12.11.2019
20151018	Siting of two temporary accommodation blocks for a 30 month period.	TEMPORARY PERMISSION	20.01.2016
20010611	Application under Regulation 3 for the erection of 1 no. 5-bay mobile classroom. KCC GRANTED PERMISSION 13.9.2001 (CONDITIONS)	OBSERVATIONS SENT	23.08.2001

Analysis

The proposed development is located within the Metropolitan Green Belt, where local and national planning policy seek to restrict development. The stacking of portacabins would create bulky and incongruous structures with two storey flat roofs. However, it is acknowledged that the proposal is for a temporary development until July 2024.

The LPA do note that previous portacabin classrooms have been granted temporary permission and approved for significant time extensions above their original permissions.

KCC are directed to consider full impacts of proposal against local and national policy.

Recommendation

Observations Sent

See draft Decision

Case Officer:	Mr Ethan Bonthron	Team Leader:	Miss Faye Hobbs
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Dated:	15 th June 2023	Dated:	15 June 2023