

Comment on a planning application

Application Details

Application: 20/1496/FUL

Address: Harrodian School Lonsdale Road Barnes London SW13 9QN

Proposal: Erection of a two storey with basement level sports and cultural centre on the current tennis courts site and associated hard and soft landscaping. Relocation of the tennis courts to the current sports pitch. 2 x one storey changing rooms with shower and WC facilities to the east of the current car park. Proposed boundary treatments and hardstanding for access from the car park.

Comments Made By

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Comments

Type of comment: Object to the proposal

Comment: There are a number of reasons why I do not believe that this sports centre facility should be erected:

- One of the proposed changes is access from Lowther Road for "security reasons". I believe this will cause a great deal of extra vehicle and footfall traffic during the evenings and weekends when the centre opens for the general public. I think this is unreasonable given the large entrance the school already has.
- Between 07:45 - 08:30 and 15:30 - 16:30 there is already a lack of regard from school parents who park on double yellow lines. This would be exacerbated by providing an entrance from Lowther Rd.
- There is a children's playground opposite the proposed entrance to the site, which presents a safety hazard.
- The 419 bus, a vital bus link to many residents, runs along this road, and would be severely disrupted / congested by the building works and the subsequent traffic after the centre has been built.

One alternative to the school building a new centre, would be to invest in the Barnes Sports Centre and the surrounding green areas, helping to improve an existing local sports centre that could be used by their school as well.

Thank you for taking the time to these comments, and I hope you take these comments into consideration when you make your planning decision.