

St Mary's University College

Addendum to Travel Plan

Introduction

1. This addendum sets out the programme for the phasing out of parking on the Redgra for the period up to 29 months post planning approval. It sets out the existing and proposed users, the proposed number of spaces at each stage and the measures for achieving this reduction.

Redgra use

2. The Redgra has not been used for general car parking since the summer of 2007. It is used on an ad hoc basis, by both internal and external users in exceptional circumstances only. Internal use is rare, although such occurrences include:
 - the beginning of the academic year when students arrive at halls of residence;
 - career days with a number of exhibitors on site;
3. External uses of the site are most likely to occur outside of normal college hours when staff and students are not on site, and will in all probability be less than staff and student numbers. These external users include:
 - BUSEN - after 16:00 each weekday;
 - Annual athletic events e.g. annual Borough Sports Day, the annual St Mary's Relays athletics event and the Special Olympics for the Borough.
4. In the future all such events are being planned without the use of the Redgra area. Alternative arrangements are being developed for the September 2009 student intake, which could include staggering arrivals over a number of days.
5. The new R Block facilities will essentially be concerned with providing additional and upgraded facilities for existing users of the campus and may also be made available for use by the local community when necessary. Any small increase in usage associated with the additional facility will be at times outside of these pre-existing uses, for instance in the evenings and at weekends.

Redgra monitoring

6. Redgra spaces would be for exceptional uses only. As such the area would remain locked and only opened by prior arrangement. A Redgra Day Permit (using the model in the main car parks) would be adopted; access to the Redgra area would be controlled (e.g. by marshalling) and the campus patrols already undertaken under the clamping policy would be extended to ensure no unauthorised parking in these designated spaces.

Phasing

7. A binding declaration of undertaking is proposed to be put in place. To this end, a potential contribution towards a CPZ consultation is currently being considered by RBRuT. SMUC needs no further incentive to phase out the temporary parking as agreed; and as such no penalties are required. *What if these can be pulled - would?*
8. The construction phasing for the new sporting facilities follows a 29 month programme of works. The parking provision is thus reduced as follows:

- 0-9 months – 40 spaces
- 10-22 months – reduced to 25 spaces
- 23-29 – reduced to 10 spaces
- Completion – reduced to 0 spaces.

Travel Plan measures

9. Measures within the Travel Plan for users of the College site as a whole will also apply to the Redgra.
10. The plan to eliminate the use of the Redgra for exceptional car parking is supported by the Corporate Plan to 2012. The 2008-12 Corporate Plan has a strong focus on CSR, including commitments to sustainable development principles and the development and adoption of realistic environmentally responsible policies and practices, including those in relation to travel and transport.
11. The Sustainability Group, reporting to the Governors' Estates Committee was created in the Summer of 2008 to oversee the Strategic Aim (one of only 10 in the Plan) of Building a Sustainable Future. The Green Travel Plan is overseen by this Group and its development and implementation is an explicit target in the University College 2008/09 Annual Operating Plan and Plans thereafter.

Car park permit exclusion zone

12. As noted in the Travel Plan, the car parking strategy will not allow permits to be issued to anyone living within 2 miles of the site. This will also apply to Redgra specific permits.

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SMUC website

13. As stated within the Travel Plan, the SMUC internal and external websites will be a key communication portal for staff, students and visitors to the site. With this in mind, the website will contain a Travel Section giving complete directions to the site by all travel modes. It will also provide links to other websites, including those of transport providers and TfL's Journey Planner.

Redgra specific measures

14. As noted above, the Redgra is not in general use and specific authorisation must be obtained for its use in exceptional circumstances. Use of the Redgra will be by permit only with the same patrols and clamping policy in force as on campus. These measures, together with the Declaration of Undertaking, should serve to reduce the demand for car parking on the Redgra with little impact on the surrounding roads.
15. Current ongoing measures by the College include:
 - an ongoing review of all events held on the campus to reduce single occupancy car usage
 - The aim to utilise fully the car park spaces at the Teddington Lock site.