



Supporting Design Statement for

**Full Planning Application to Retain Existing Mobile
Classroom (Block 09)**

At

**Abbey 345 Pre-School Mobile at
South View Community Primary
School
Postland Road
Crowland
Peterborough
PE6 0JA**

UPRN H0150

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This is a retrospective application by Lincolnshire County Council to retain the existing relocatable mobile classroom for a further period of 5 years.

The Pre-School currently has 35 registered children per day in occupation (65 children on role). There are 8 full time and 2 part-time members of staff. The Pre-School is open for 38 weeks of the year (term time only) and its operating hours are 8.30am – 3.30pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

There is a statutory duty on the applicant, Lincolnshire County Council,

‘to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that the provision of childcare is sufficient to meet the requirements of parents / carers in their area in order to enable them to work or undertake education or training leading to work.’

(Heaven A 2011)

The removal of this mobile building would mean that the Pre-School could no longer provide places for this number of children from the site and this would affect the provision of childcare in the area.

AMOUNT

1 No relocatable classroom is proposed with a total new floor area of 194m². The canopy area equates to 66.5m². Ramps equate to 33m².

LAYOUT

‘Layout’ is not applicable to this actual Design and Access Statement.

SCALE

The mobile classroom measures 20.15m x 9.63m. The Application site equates to 773m² (includes mobile, canopy, ramps, hardstanding and softplay surrounding the mobile and associated footpath).

LANDSCAPING

An extent of concrete paving is proposed around all new entrance ramps and steps to the Temporary Classroom. Soft pour activity tarmac is proposed underneath the extent of canopy.

An 1800mm high Nylofor security fence has been proposed along the Eastern boundary. This fencing will be fixed integral with the existing fencing to maintain security around the mobile.

APPEARANCE

The proposed mobile classroom will be finished with Ibstock Anglian Red Rustic facing brickwork slips, white Upvc doors and windows with white upvc gutters and downpipes. The classroom will have a shallow pitch gable aspect, finished with charcoal grey Metralite roof slates. The canopy measures 14m x 5m and is constructed with a steel frame structure independent of the actual classroom. The canopy will be finished with a fabric polycarbonate roof.

ACCESS

VEHICULAR & TRANSPORT LINKS

There will be no increase in the numbers of pupils or staff attending/using the facility. The proposed 1500mm wide tarmac (to LCC standards) pedestrian access off Clout Drove will provide a much needed pedestrian access to the Playgroup. This will be fenced appropriately to only provide access to the Playgroup and Extended Services Building and not to other areas of the school site, thereby restricting its use to pedestrian access for Playgroup and Extended Services users only.

School Staff vehicular access to and from the site is via the existing Postland Road and is not affected by the proposals. Visitors to the pre-school facility will predominantly be pedestrians. Visitors arriving by vehicle will park temporarily at drop off and pick up times along Clout Drove. As such visitor parking within the School will not be provided.

Opening times have been established in conjunction with the main School to alleviate potential congestion to and from and within the School. 3 allocated gravelled vehicle parking bays have been agreed within the current lease agreement with LCC.

INCLUSIVE ACCESS

Level access is available throughout the existing School grounds and this will be retained and continued in the proposals. All new external doors will include the re-laying of external areas to provide level access.

Within the proposed building doors and windows will be designed to ensure required visibility is achieved for disabled users including colour contrasting paint finish to door surrounds and contrasting ironmongery.

The new proposals will be fully compliant; internally and externally with Part M of The Building Regulations and DDA requirements in order to create access for all regardless of age or disability.