Supporting Statement

For

S.73 Application to Vary Condition to retain existing mobile classroom (Block 03)

At

Spalding St Paul's Community Primary School, Queen's Road, Spalding, PE11 2JQ

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The Spalding St Paul's Community P&N School currently has approx. 247 pupils on roll with a PAN Capacity of 210. The removal of the temporary mobile classroom would remove 30 places off the capacity of the school resulting in a shortfall of pupil places and insufficient pupil places to meet the Published Admission Number. The projections forecast future pupil numbers for Spalding showing a continued increase in the number of primary aged children requiring accommodation in the area. Additional capacity is also being planned to meet local demand. The mobile classroom accommodation is vital to ensuring that there are sufficient school places in Spalding.

The mobile is dedicated for the existing Schools use only. As such hours of use will match that of the main Schools regular timetable 8.00am – 6.00pm Monday to Friday.

This application proposes to vary condition 2 of Application No. H16-0648-19 to retain a temporary classroom decided on 16th July 2019. Lincolnshire County Council proposes to apply to retain the building hereby permitted for a further period of 5 years.

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)

There have been no changes to the mobile classroom building and also the children and teacher numbers from the previously approved Planning Application.

FLOOD RISK

The site lies within an area identified as Flood Zone 3 on the Environment Agency website. The finished floor levels will be retained in accordance with the findings of the previously completed flood risk assessment (FRA). All other comments and conclusions stated within the FRA, as to how the flood risk will be managed, will continue to be adhered to.





