Supporting Design Statement

For

S.73 Application to Vary Condition to Retain Existing Mobile Classroom (Block 08)

At

Sutton Bridge Westmere Community Primary School, Anne Road, Sutton Bridge, Spalding, PE12 9TB

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JUSTIFICATION

Sunbeams Playgroup have been based on the site of Sutton Bridge Westmere Primary School since 2000. Sunbeams Playgroup has now closed and the mobile unit has been taken over by Smartie Pants Day Nursery since January 2021.

The Smartie Pants Day Nursery takes children from the age of 6 weeks - 11 years and there are approximately 65 children on roll. The Nursery is open all year round (apart from a Christmas closure) between Monday to Friday 7.30am - 6.15pm.

The removal of these mobile buildings would mean that the Nursey could no longer provide places for this number of children.

Lincolnshire County Council has a statutory duty for the provision of sufficient childcare and these mobile buildings are necessary to meeting this. Therefore, this application by Lincolnshire County Council is to retain the mobile building unit for a further period of five years.

There have been no changes to the mobile classroom building and also the children and staff 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.