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Subject: FW: Oakley Farm Pasture Slopes, Cheltenham - 20/01069/OUT

Hi Lucy,

Please find additional comments from GCC Education in the below email which have been added in to the attached updated GCC response to Pegasus Educational Needs Assessment document.

However, please note it has not been possible to copy the tables in the below email showing the latest school census information from January 2021, so the email has been referred to in the document, all of which should be read in conjunction with the representations already provided and attached again for your quick reference.

Best wishes,
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Hi Sophie

Please find below our responses to Sections 3 and 4 of the attached Pegasus Educational Needs Assessment as you requested. I have also attached the GCC response to the planning consultation for convenience, as I refer to it below.

Paragraph 3.4 – we agree that Oakley Farm is in the Whaddon Primary School Planning Area and the Cheltenham Secondary School Planning Area, which include the schools listed in paragraph 3.4.

Paragraph 3.5 – we do not agree on the order of the three nearest primary schools by walking distance.

we agree that St Mary's Infant and Junior are 0.8 miles away.

we do not agree the walking distances to Oakwood (GCC 0.9 miles vs Pegasus 0.8 miles) and Holy Apostles (GCC 1.1 miles vs Pegasus 0.6 miles).

we agree that Pittville is the closest secondary (GCC 1.5 miles vs Pegasus 1.4 miles), and Balcarras is second closest (GCC 2.3 miles vs Pegasus 1.6 miles), with other schools over 3 miles away.

Paragraph 4.2 – we agree that there are 619 early years places registered for 1,215 children in the Whaddon Primary Planning Area.

Consequently, there is no spare capacity and we require a contribution.

Paragraph 4.3 – GCC does not hold details of the number of advertised vacancies at individual nurseries.

The numbers of vacancies can change rapidly, and details are considered to be commercially sensitive by some providers so it is not possible to collect or verify that information about advertised vacancies is up-to-date and accurate.

Paragraph 4.4 – we agree the numbers of school places and numbers on roll shown in the 2018-2023 School Places Strategy for academic year 2018/19.

Paragraph 4.5 – The latest school census information from January 2021 is as follows

Primary planning Area 916	Estab N°	Primary School Name	Distance (Miles/ Walking route)	Current PAN	Current Capacity based on Yr Group PANs	Capacity	NOR Jan 2021	R (09/20)	Y1 (09/19)	Y2 (09/18)	Y3 (09/17)	Y4 (09/16)	Y5 (09/15)	Y6 (09/14)	Comments/Notes
1810	3360	St Mary's C of E Infant School	0.8	60	210	180	210	60	60	90					Temporary bulge class in final year
1810	3343	Prestbury St Mary's C of E Junior School	0.8	[60]	240	240	238				60	60	58	60	
1810	5221	Oakwood Primary School	0.9	60	420	420	317	36	41	56	45	47	36	56	
1830	3316	Holy Apostles CofE Primary School	1.1	30	210	210	212	30	30	30	30	32	30	30	
Total for Closest Schools				150	1080	1050	977	126	131	176	135	139	124	146	
1810	3093	Holy Trinity C of E Primary School	1.3	30	210	210	192	26	29	29	30	24	28	26	
1810	3097	St. John's C of E Primary School (Chelt)	1.3	29	203	203	196	29	25	29	29	27	28	29	
Totals				209	1493	1463	1365	181	185	234	194	190	180	201	

Secondary planning Area 916	Estab N°	Secondary School Name	Distance (Miles/ Walking route)	Current PAN	Current Capacity based on Yr Group PANs	Capacity	NOR Jan 2021	Y7 (09/20)	Y8 (09/19)	Y9 (09/18)	Y10 (09/17)	Y11 (09/16)	Y12 (09/15)	Y13 (09/14)	Comments/Notes
2500	5421	Pittville School	1.5	175	905	875	836	175	202	175	160	124			
2500	5408	Balcarras School	2.3	194	1389	1331	1405	196	221	197	206	192	201	192	
Total for closest Schools				369	2294	2206	2241	371	423	372	366	316	201	192	
2500	5418	Cheltenham Bournside School	3.1	300	1900	1960	1747	300	300	289	262	255	173	168	
2500	6905	All Saints' Academy	3.7	180	1150	1150	948	189	179	148	125	135	85	87	
Sub Totals for schools without selective admissions policies				849	5344	5316	4936	860	902	809	753	706	459	447	
2500	5403	Pate's Grammar School	3.7	150	1204	1204	1222	151	148	156	147	151	231	238	
Totals (All in secondary planning area including selective school)				999	6548	6520	6158	1011	1050	965	900	857	690	685	

Paragraph 4.7 – Please refer to the attached education response to the planning consultation for full details of our position. In summary:

There is no spare early years capacity, see paragraph 4.2 above.

There is no spare capacity at the nearest primary school St Mary’s Infant and Junior.

Whilst there was spare capacity of 123 places at primary schools in 2018/19 in the wider area (this has reduced to 98 spare places as at Census January 2021); there are 359 dwellings already planned or permitted that are forecast to generate additional demand for 147 extra primary school places, and any spare capacity will be allocated to developments on a first-come first-served basis. These developments are:

Starvehall Farm - 10/01243/OUT – permitted 2015 - Under construction, 280 qualifying dwellings, 115 primary places

102 Prestbury Rd - 17/01266/FUL – permitted, 30 qualifying dwellings, 12 primary places

Premier Products, Bouncers Lane – 20/00780/FUL, 49 qualifying dwellings, 20 primary places

There is no spare capacity at either of the two nearest secondary schools. The other schools in the Cheltenham Secondary Planning Area are over the statutory walking distance of 3 miles from Oakley Farm.

Kind regards

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