
MEMORANDUM

From:	Doug Godfrey Green Infrastructure Officer		
Service	WBC Green Infrastructure	App No:	261405
Address:	Spencers Wood Pavilion, Clares Green Road, Spencers Wood, Wokingham, RG7 1DY.		
Proposal:	Full application for the proposed installation of a ground-based construction to form a youth shelter to provide a safe, designated space for young people to meet and socialise.		
Type Development:	of Minor All other developments		
Site Visit Made:	No		

Summary Of Recommendations

- ☐ No comment
☒ No objection
☐ No objection subject to conditions (and reasons) **stated below**
☐ Request further information before determination as **stated below**
☐ Objection due to the reason(s) **stated below**

Comments On Proposal

General

Green Infrastructure has reviewed the application material for the proposed installation of a youth shelter at Spencer's Wood Recreation Ground.

The following has been reviewed with respect to this application:

- Planning Statement, BDS Surveyors, 11 June 2026
- Plans and Elevations, 7033:26:1, 10.06.2026

Green Infrastructure has no objections to the installation of a youth shelter at Spencer's Wood Recreation and welcomes providing amenities for this often underrepresented group.

I suggest that the following to ensure that the shelter is accessible to all.

1. The shelter should be installed on a hard surface and not just located in a turf area.

2. Guidance from Active Travel England and the Department for Transport: Inclusive Mobility, the following should be accommodated in the layout and design of bench seating:

- Guidance from Active Travel England recommends locating seating back a minimum of 600mm from the edge of a main travel route. They further recommend providing a surfaced resting place of at least 900mm wide and at next to the proposed bench so that a wheelchair/ motorized mobility devices have space adjacent. I would suggest that any shelter be placed a minimum of 900mm off of a travel route to allow for the resting space for a wheelchair and to allow for the free flow of pedestrians cyclists on the along the main route.

Conditions & Reasons (if required)

Please use this section to detail any conditions that are required to make this development acceptable in planning terms. All conditions should be accompanied by reasons.

Date:	07.07.2026	Signed:	D. Godfrey
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