

Date: 3 February 2026
Application: 260258



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BOROUGH COUNCIL**

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Dear WBC Highways,

Consultation from adjoining LA Consultation

Application Number: 260258

Applicant: Jonathan Markwell

Site Address: Forbury Retail Park, Forbury Road, Reading

Parish:

Grid Reference: Easting - 472126, Northing - 173693

Type of Development:

Proposal: Consultation from Reading Borough Council for the following proposal: outline application with all matters reserved with the exception of access, for site redevelopment involving the demolition of all existing structures & a residential-led mixed use proposal for up to 700 residential units (Class C3) & up to 3,000 sqm (GEA) of commercial uses (Class E), together with various associated works including replacement pedestrian and vehicle access routes, open spaces, hard & soft landscaping & sewer works, partial basement excavation, up to 130 basement level car parking spaces, up to 53 separate car parking spaces for Class E uses, up to 600 cycle parking spaces & servicing facilities. This application is accompanied by an Environmental Statement.

Case Officer: Phillip Richards

Development Management has received the above application, and we require your comments on the proposal using the recommended memorandum below. The documents associated with this are available to view in NEC DM using the application number 260258. Alternatively, public documents are available to view on the Council's planning application search page: [Wokingham Borough Council Online Planning](#).

Please index your response into NEC DM against the application. If you are recommending conditions, you should give a reason with reference to relevant policies. A list of standard conditions can be requested from the case officer.

Your observations are required in respect of this application by **24 February 2026**.

Yours sincerely,
Development Management & Compliance

MEMORANDUM

From:	JP		
Service	WBC Highways	App No:	260258
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Type of Development:			
Site Visit Made:	Yes/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

The site is in relation to a previous consultation 232308, which the Highways have no objection to the proposal given the location of the site and availability of different vehicle routes. The new proposal has reduced the scales in both residential and commercial element, compared to 232308.

For this instance, the Highways have no objection in principle to this proposal.

Conditions & Reasons (if required)

Date:	23/2/2026	Signed:	JP
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