

DELEGATED OFFICER REPORT



WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Application Number:	242223
Site Address:	Reading Blue Coat School, Sonning Lane, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6SU
Expiry Date:	27 September 2024
Proposal: Application for non-material amendment to planning consent 232925 to amend the description to the following: Full application for the proposed erection of a part single, part two storey building for educational purposes following the substantial demolition of existing building; permanent retention of temporary drama studio for educational purposes; external alterations, including new roof and cladding, to existing music annexe; associated hard and soft landscaping.	

PLANNING HISTORY

Application No.	Description	Decision & Date
232925	Full application for the proposed erection of a part single and part two storey building to provide music and drama classrooms on the ground floor, a double height auditorium with associated first floor control room, and 4No. monodraughts and solar panels to the main roof. Permanent retention of the temporary drama studio building following substantial demolition of Way Hall and adjacent shed. External alterations, including new roof and cladding to the existing music annexe along with associated hard and soft landscaping.	Approved 18/01/2024

APPRAISAL

Is the proposed change non-material?

Yes	☒
No	☐

The varied description proposed omits specific references to the uses of the buildings to be constructed/retained, replacing them with an overarching 'educational use' description.

The specific uses of the buildings, apart from the fact they are educational in use, are immaterial to the development approved and do not affect the original determination made.

Therefore, the changes to the description are considered to be non-material amendments to the originally approved scheme.

The Public Sector Equality Duty (Equality Act 2010):

In determining this application the Council is required to have due regard to its obligations under the Equality Act 2010. The key equalities protected characteristics include age, disability, gender, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief. There is no indication or evidence (including from consultation on the application) that persons with protected characteristics as identified by the Act have or will have different needs, experiences, issues and priorities in relation to this particular planning application and there would be no significant adverse impacts as a result of the development.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation:	Approve – the change is non-material.
Date:	9 September 2024
Earliest date for decision:	

Recommendation agreed by: (Authorised Officer)	<i>MC</i>
Date:	09.09.2024