

DfI Roads

Consultation Response

Application Ref: LA11/2021/1210/TBA – Riverine Community Park &
LA11/2021/1211/TBA – Pedestrian and Cycle Bridge

Date of Response 15th April 2022

DfI Planning has asked for our comments and observations on the potential impacts of these applications on the environment in Northern Ireland.

In response to consultations dated 11th January 2022 consisting of information published to the planning portal on 10th, 13th and 14th December 2021, DfI Roads' comments are as follows:

1. The submission has been reviewed with the 2022 environmental statement addendum for the A5 Western Transport Corridor (WTC).
2. This application follows on from two PADs submitted for this development by Derry City and Strabane District Council (DC&SDC). As previously, commented the layout clashes with the A5 WTC vesting line so is in conflict with AMP 4 of PPS 03.
3. The impact on the access from Lifford Road Roundabout to the proposed car park is intensification and not acceptable to DfI Roads as in conflict with AMP 3 of PPS 03.

A better vehicular access point should be considered for delivery of this development.

4. The Transport Statement is currently under review and a meeting will take place in early May 2022 with the Agent team. Our AMP 4 objection takes precedence at this time.

While the development's traffic impact remains to be resolved, it should not trigger the need for further environmental assessment

As a planning application, which conflicts with the A5 WTC strategic route improvement scheme, DfI Roads has significant objection. It is therefore required that this development demonstrate that it may overcome this conflict and not prejudice delivery of the roads scheme.

A meeting has been arranged for early May 2022 with the Agent team and DC&SDC to go through the application and DC&SDC's proposals to address DfI Roads' objections.

*Issued on behalf of Development Control Section,
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15th April 2022
Date