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Dear Sirs

Re: **Middleton Primary & Nursery School, Harrow Road, Wollaton Park, Nottingham, NG8 1FG**

We write to object to the proposal to increase the capacity at Middleton Primary & Nursery School ("the School") by increasing the number of pupils to be accommodated from 420 to 630 in Years Reception to Year 6 (ages 4 to 11).

We object to the proposal on a number of grounds. Firstly, the parking. There are already significant problems with the parking at the school and on Harrow Road. This issue is heightened each day when the school starts and finishes. Parents double park, break existing parking restrictions, do not use the parking facilities provided in the community centre and residents are frequently inconvenienced, denied access to their driveway and adversely affected with delays and congestion.

Currently there are no concrete plans to improve the parking on Harrow Road to alleviate the problems caused and increasing the capacity of the school will only cause more issues. There was no plan provided to parents or residents during the public consultations.

The increase in traffic will create further inconvenience and congestion as a result of the additional parents who will be taking their children to and from the School as well as the additional staff who will be employed to work at the School and who may not pay the workplace parking levy and therefore park along Harrow Road.

In addition, the current parking situation causes concerns of highway safety. It is only a matter of time before there is a significant accident. Again, additional cars increase this issue.

There are frequent occurrences of additional hazards in the form of ice cream vans that park on the junction of Harrow Road and Eton Grove in order to take advantage of the passing trade when school finishes.

As far as we are aware, any permission granted must comply with the requirements of Policy T3 of the Local Plan (2005);

"Car, Cycle and Servicing Parking

T3: Planning permission for development will not be granted where the levels of parking provision exceed the maximum parking levels set out in Appendix 1 which forms part of this Policy. In considering proposals for on site parking in new development, lower provision will be pursued subject to consideration of the following factors:

a) the extent to which the amenity of occupiers of neighbouring property would be adversely affected, particularly residential occupiers;"

and Policy TR1 of the Emerging Land and Planning Policies Document;

"The City Council will seek a sustainable and appropriate level of parking provision within new developments. Each development will be assessed on its merits, taking into account the following issues:-

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c) the extent to which the amenity of occupiers of neighbouring property would be adversely affected (including for example, through noise, fumes, visual amenity), particularly residential occupiers;"

We do not believe that the plans presented during the consultation for the School currently meet these requirements as the residents will be adversely affected and no solution has been offered / provided.

As stated in the consultation report analysis, 77% of other/residents did not agree to the proposal to expand the School. Consequently, please explain how if the School is expanded as planned, the impact on the amenity of nearby residents or occupiers has been taken into consideration, in accordance with Policy 10 2(f) of the Core Strategy.

We look forward to hearing from you.