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Landscape and Visual Appraisal - Ysgol Y Deri School

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Introduction

This Landscape and Visual Appraisal (LVA) has been prepared by HLM on behalf of Vale of Glamorgan Council and assesses the likely effects on landscape and visual amenity arising from the proposed development at Cosmeston, Vale of Glamorgan. This addendum has been produced and submitted as part of an outline planning application submitted to Vale of Glamorgan Council (VGC) for a new primary school with associated car parking and landscaping.

Purpose of addendum

Following review of final design comments since the LVA was produced, the client has proposed to adjust the landscape design strategy along a small section of Fort Road. This includes the further pruning and of an existing hedgerow section located at the southern edge to allow for new highway entrance works. The proposals include translocation and reinstatement of hedgerow once the highway works are complete. These proposals are consistent with the overall plans and landscape proposals submitted as part of the outline planning application but differ very slightly from those assessed in the LVA.

Overview of visual envelope

The resulting Visual Envelope is restricted to a radius of around 500m from site. The extents of the Visual Envelope are defined by; the disused railway embankment, topped by mature trees, which sweeps along its south-eastern boundary and encloses the area almost completely aside from snippet views under railway bridges; a combination of rising and undulating landform and bands of mature trees to the northwest; and the hedgerows and curvature of the B4267 Lavernock Road to the northeast and the southwest.

Selected viewpoints include:

- Viewpoint 1 Cosmeston Lakes Country Park, north of the lakes and northwest of site
- Viewpoint 2 Lavernock Road, immediately northwest of site
- Viewpoint 3 Fort Road, at Ty-r-orsaf and 2 Fort Road cottages, south of site
- Viewpoint 4 Fort Road, west of site
- Viewpoint 5 Lavernock Road and Country Park Bridleway, southwest of site
- Viewpoint 6 Public Right of Way within Cosmeston Lakes Country Park, north of site

Conclusion of impact on Landscape and Visual Effects assessments

The minor adjustments to the landscape implementation design and methodology on Fort Road have been assessed not to change the evaluations presented within the LVA as seen from the selected viewpoints named.

The LVA assessments therefore remain consistent with the adjusted proposals and should be assessed accordingly.



