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FAREHAM NORTH

SPORT & LEISURE
MANAGEMENT

AGENT: FAREHAM LEISURE
CENTRE

ERECTION OF TEMPORARY SWIMMING POOL AND BUILDING UNTIL NOVEMBER
2014 ON A SECTION OF THE CAR PARK TO THE NORTH OF THE BUILDING

PARK LANE - FAREHAM LEISURE CENTRE - FAREHAM PO16 7JU

Report By

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Site Description

This application relates to Fareham Leisure centre situated on the west side of Park Lane which is to the south of Miller Drive.

Description of Proposal

Planning permission is sought for the erection of a temporary swimming pool to be located on part of the adjacent car park until November 2014.

The swimming pool would measure 6 metres by 18 metres and would be enclosed by an aluminium frame structure covered in UPVC measuring 30 metres in depth and 10 metres in width and a maximum height of 3 metres.

The pool would also have associated equipment to heat the pool.

Policies

The following policies apply to this application:

Approved Fareham Borough Core Strategy

CS17 - High Quality Design

Representations

Two letters of representation have been received raising the following comments:-

- Cannot see the need for an expensive temporary pool
- Loss of Parking
- Possible works to trees and hedges
- Where is the plant equipment to be positioned
- How many hours will the equipment be operating
- What assurances can be given regarding the noise level generated by such plants

Consultations

Director of Planning & Environment(Highways):- No objection

Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services(Environmental Health):- No objection

Planning Considerations - Key Issues

A number of works are scheduled to be carried out to the Leisure Centre, including the refurbishment of the existing swimming pools within the main Leisure Centre building. The works include new changing rooms, replacing the old pool water filtration plant and

modernising the exterior of the building itself.

During the refurbishment period the Leisure Centre are proposing to erect a temporary pool on a section of the car park next to the main building. This would enable the leisure centre to provide a reduced swimming service and retain some of the current swimming classes.

Concern has been raised about possible disturbance from the plant equipment associated with the temporary pool. There would be a heater within the temporary pool enclosure which would heat the air and a shipping container positioned along the western side of the temporary pool which would house the plant equipment required to heat the water. The nearest residential properties to the north of the site are situated approximately 90 metres away across a hard surface car park. The Council's Environmental Health Officers have raised no objection to the proposal.

The number of car parking spaces which will be lost due to the siting of the pool is 36 spaces. Notwithstanding this, the car park has recently been extended to provide an extra 23 spaces by removing some low hedging and utilising the coach parking area. Officers are of the opinion that as the use of the temporary pool would be less than the existing pools due to its size and frequency/scale of use, there would be a reduction in parking demand and therefore no highway objection is raised.

Officers have had clarification from the applicant that it will not be necessary to prune any trees in order to accommodate the temporary structure.

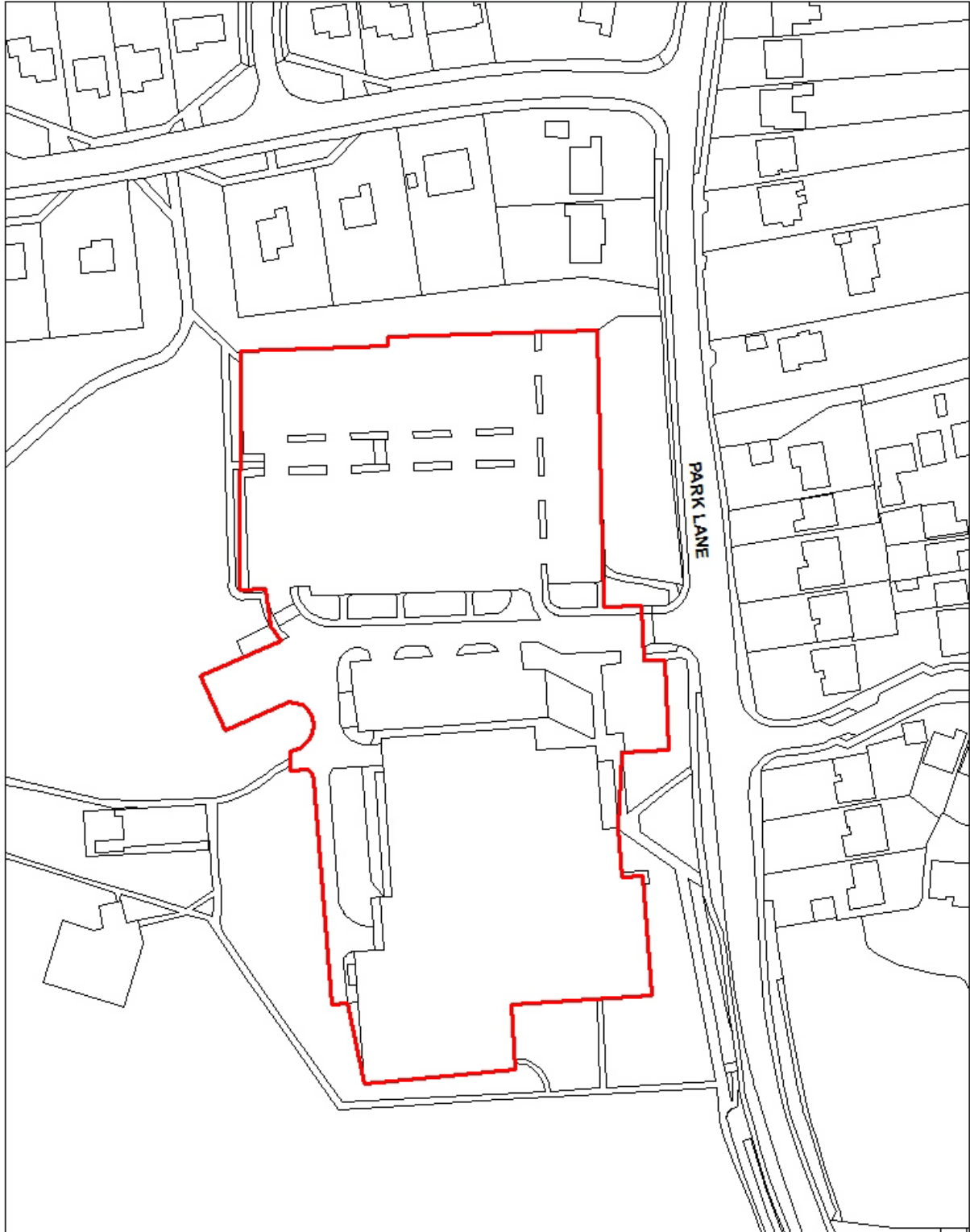
Officers are of the opinion that the application is acceptable and complies with the Adopted Fareham Borough Core Strategy.

Recommendation

PERMISSION: Temporary permission until end of November 2014

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Fareham Leisure Centre
Park Lane
Scale 1:1,1250



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