

From: Smith N

Dear Sir

I write to comment on the para 3.22 on Page 68 of the Submission Draft Sites and Policies Plan and Draft Policies Map.

"Where it is deemed necessary and acceptable for a school to have shared use of a nearby open space, with the school having sole access to an area during school hours, an appropriately worded legal agreement should be put in place to ensure continued access in the event of the ownership or management of the school or open space changes from that of the council".

- I do not understand why a specific site seems to be singled out in a Planning Policy document. If this is to be applied to all public spaces it seems heavy handed and insensitive.
- The policy referred to above, only applies to areas currently within council management or ownership. If this is the case. The Council has the ability to make any requirements they deem necessary for on-going use if and when any change happens, consistent with planning guidance in force at the time. They do not need to set up an overarching policy to delivery this intent. This new proposed policy therefore seems unnecessary.
- This new proposed policy would also prevent public access to areas in a public park or other open space and thus would not be consistent with policy DM01.

I believe this late addition to the document should be removed. If you do not remove this policy could you please add my name to the list of people wishing to speak at the inspectors hearing.