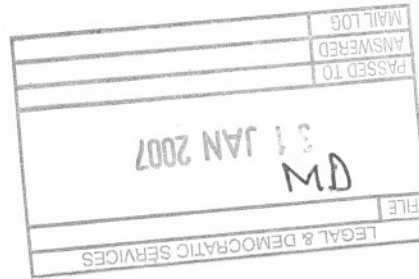


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27<sup>th</sup> January 2007.

Dear Sir

New Community Fire Station – Belle Vue, Carlisle.

I write as a City Councillor for the Belle Vue Ward of Carlisle.

I wish to object to the proposal to site the Fire Station on land adjacent to Newtown School, Raffles Avenue, Carlisle.

My objections are that :-

1. The site being so close to Primary and Nursery School is wholly inappropriate from the aspect of safety of the children travelling on foot to and from the School.
2. The entrance to the development is largely a 'blind spot, positioned as it is between houses and trees on the school site.
3. Raffles Avenue is 'one way' and a bus route so the site is 'locked into' a one way system of Raffles Ave., Brookside, and Shadygrove Rd. Vehicles wishing to access the site have to negotiate a circuitous route.
4. Appliances sounding sirens would be a disturbance to the school children, either inside or outside the school.
5. I note that the site is also to provide an access to future residential development on the adjacent land further posing a danger to children going to and from school.
6. I also note from the proposed use of the site that appliances will be returning to the site at mealtimes, precisely the time's children will be going to and from school.
7. I understand the Newtown School Chairman, Staff, and Governors are also objecting to this proposal.

While accepting the need for a Fire Station based in the west of the City I would need to be convinced that there has been a search for a more appropriate site which would give far better access to the west highway network.

I trust you will bring these my objections to the attention of the relevant committee.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Ian Stockdale  
Belle Vue, City Councillor.

Copied to Development Control Committee Carlisle City Council.