

13.28 These facilities are found in local shopping parades at Bourne Circle and Gloucester Parade on Bourne Avenue and slightly further afield at Dawley Road and Redmead Road. There are four vacant units – formerly a launderette, mini market, newsagent and grocers. Three of these vacant units are within the same parade at Redmead Road which lost also lost a post office facility in 2003. With the exception of Redmead Road the continuing success of the small parades suggests that, at present, there is sufficient patronage for the viable operation of existing facilities. The nearest pharmacy is located in Dawley Road Parade, approximately 1 km from the application site, and in both the local centre of Harlington, south of the M4, and Hayes Town Centre. The nearest post office is within Bourne Circle and the main Post Office is found in Hayes Town Centre (approximately 2 km from the site).

13.29 Hayes Town Centre is identified in the Hillingdon UDP as a 'Major Town Centre' one of only three in the Borough. Uxbridge to the north of the Borough is the identified 'Strategic Centre'. The Hayes Bridge and Lombardy Retail Parks on the Uxbridge Road north and west of Hayes Town Centre, with Sainsbury Superstore have a significant influence on the retail patterns of the area. Hayes Town Centre is served by Hayes Harlington Station on the London Paddington to Reading/ Bristol railway line. The centre has a reasonable range of facilities including branches of major high street banks and building societies; a range of multiples eg W.H. Smiths, Woolworths; Bakers Oven; Argos and Iceland together with a variety of independent shops.

*Local Community Facilities*

13.30 In the immediate vicinity of the application site are found a range of community and leisure facilities including: