

Town & Country Planning
(Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2010)

Design and Access Statement

Vyners School

Erection of two dining/multi-use canopies

1. Foreword

1. This statement is prepared under the requirements of article 6 of The Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2010). The requirements are applied as appropriate to this development proposal and may not incorporate all the elements if they are not applicable.

2. Introduction

1. This application is submitted for the erection of two dining/multi-purpose canopies at Vyners School, Warren Road, Ickenham, Uxbridge UB10 8AB.
2. The school is looking to expand the breakout space available to the students with the provision of canopies that are of sustainable and attractive design, which will provide covered seating areas and will be usable in all weathers. This requirement for additional space has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. With careful consideration having been given to a number of options, steel structures with polycarbonate roofs will provide covered external space in a way which is sensitive and in keeping with the existing buildings whilst having minimal impact on the neighbouring area.

3. Land Use

1. Existing hard landscaped playground area; the addition of the structures is in order to enhance its all-weather properties.

4. Layout, Scale, Appearance and Access

1. There are two canopies, canopy 1 has a footprint of 66m² and measures 11.0m (l) x 6.0m (w) and canopy 2 has a footprint of 120m² and measures 12.0m (l) x 10.0m (w).
2. In order to complement the existing structures, the canopies have a curved roof profile. The canopies are constructed in steel with a powder-coated finish and are in keeping with the adjacent building design.

3. The canopies are clad with translucent multiwall polycarbonate which has been chosen for its durability and light transmission properties.
4. Canopy 1 has a fabric mesh gable end panel to the end facing the existing food pod to provide additional weather protection.
5. The structures are located in relation to the existing buildings in such a way as to enhance access, particularly in inclement weather, and will comply with DDA requirements as appropriate. Designated emergency vehicle routes will remain unobstructed.

5. Conclusions

1. This proposal will provide the school with enhanced dining, seating and breakout space for its students, which will be suitable for use in all weathers, especially important in the current climate.
2. The proposed structures will enhance the fundamental uses of the areas and create safe external space for students.
3. For these reasons it is requested that planning permission is granted.