

## Re: 75013/APP/2021/4513 - Riverside Centre Parking

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 1 attachments (130 KB)

005A - Proposed Car Park Plan - Area 1.pdf;

Dear Ed,

I hope you are well. Neil is on annual leave at the moment so I am picking this up whilst he's away. Please find attached our drawing 005A which has been revised to reduce the number of proposed parking bays to help maintain the buffer between the carpark and the neighbouring gardens. Also, please see below a statement from Hillingdon Mental Health setting out the need for additional parking.

### **Statement from Hillingdon Mental Health in respect of the need for additional Parking**

*The reason we are requesting more parking is that, increasingly we are employing more and more staff who live further away from Hillingdon and for them public transport is not a suitable alternative*

*Our CMHT services has also expanded . And for these group of staff driving is essential to their jobs. In the past we only had adult home treatment team based on site . Now we have older adult home treatment team , perinatal services , older adult community team, child development services, first response services, community outreach services team . The local authority approved mental health practice team. All these teams are now based on site and all their staff are classified as essential car users .*

*As a service we do encourage staff to use public transport . We don't offer parking to any staff who is not an essential car user.*

*The parking situation is becoming difficult and it is impacting on patient care and service delivery. Some clinicians are getting late for their appointment because they are having to be driving round and round the hospital to find parking. The hospital has lost a good number of parking space because some of the car parks have been turned in day hospitals.*

*We have encouraged staff to care share, we have also invested in pool cars to reduce the pressure on the car park.*

*We feel that the requirement for additional parking space is essential to provide and deliver good patient care in an effective and timely manner.*

I hope this provides the information you require and you are able to support our application. Please let me know if you have any queries.

Kind regards

Mike