

Welcome

Welcome to the latest edition of the Melksham Community Campus Newsletter. This edition contains updates on the access plan for construction traffic.

With construction of Melksham Community Campus just a few months away, plans are being finalised to manage the disruption this will cause as carefully as possible.

Site access for construction traffic

It is being proposed to bring the campus construction traffic in via Market Place, rather than the A350. Following detailed consultation with the council's highways department, bringing construction traffic directly from the A350 is no longer considered to be the safest route into the site, and it would have also resulted in considerable delays to the A350.

It is now proposed that all construction vehicles, the majority of which are vans and cars, will travel from the A350, along Semington Road, and will enter and exit the Market Place from either Spa Road or King Street. Where possible they will enter from one road and exit via the other, but this will be governed by other activity on the local road network. Construction traffic will exit the same way as it comes in.

The site is likely to have around 48 vehicles visiting each day, considerably less than the amount that access it currently. As part of this process, a Section 73 notice will be submitted which ensures a statutory 13-week consultation period.

The decision has also been made to restrict large vehicle movements in and

out of site during school drop-off and pick-up times.

Therefore, large vehicle movements will be restricted to the following times during school term time:

- 07:00 – 08:00
- 09:00 – 15:15
- 16:30 – 18:00

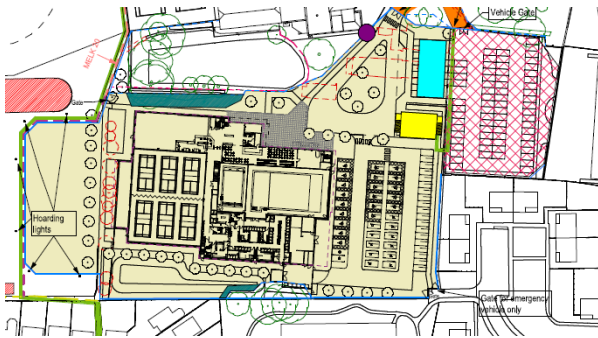
The splitter island within the Market Place will be removed and stored and will be reinstated upon completion of the works. A photographic survey will be undertaken and in the unlikely event that damage is caused the contractor will be responsible for repairing this.

Construction Management Plan

A Construction Management Plan will be submitted as part of the discharge of the planning conditions. This will include details around site access.

In order to safely construct the campus, access to site will be restricted, this will change how the public can access the site.

Public Right of Way Melk 20 will be slightly altered but will remain open apart from a short period of time when this area of the site is reinstated. The pedestrian routes are being finalised.



Access to site will be controlled by a gate operative located directly inside the Market Place gates.

Pedestrian access to the sports clubs will be maintained throughout.

There will be no public parking on-site during construction – The only exception will be a small number of blue badge spaces for users of the sports clubs.

Alternative car parks are available at Church Street for short stay and King Street for long stay.

Timescales

Preparatory work will continue for the rest of this year, which will enable construction work to start on-site in early 2021.

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