

Kings Hill
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Proposal: Regulation 3 consultation for demolition of existing KCC commercial services building (see application reference 13/01535/OAEA and 14/01174/DEN); Construction of new access road between Gibson Drive and spur off Tower View (approved under KCC/TM/0386/2013); Construction of new two-storey, three-form entry primary school and associated vehicle and pedestrian access, car park and landscaping (KCC ref: KCC/TM/0149/2014)

Location: Land At 30 Gibson Drive Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4QG

Applicant: Kent County Council Education Department

1. Description:

- 1.1 Members will be aware of the Kent Basic Needs Programme for schools that is partly funded by the Department of Education in the form of basic need capital grant and a separate "Targeted Basic Need" programme. The provision of "Targeted" monies by Government is an indication that there are specific existing localised needs to be met
- 1.2 As a result, KCC is proposing a new primary school at Kings Hill which, in order to benefit from the grant, needs to be open to receive reception classes by September 2015. This will make provision both for the "Targeted" need and also the emerging need derived from the unbuilt elements of new residential development itself.
- 1.3 This ambitious timetable, set by Government, means that the planning application is likely to be dealt with promptly by KCC, which is the determining authority.
- 1.4 Therefore the application needs to be reported to this Area 2 Committee and the full report will be circulated as soon as possible.

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