

Cardiff Council
County Hall
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Dear Planning Officer,

Re: Formal Objection to Planning Application 26/00109/HYB " Cardiff East Park and Ride

I am writing as the Member of the Senedd for Caerdydd Ffynnon Taf to formally object to planning application 26/00109/HYB concerning the proposed redevelopment of the Cardiff East Park and Ride site.

My principal concern is the loss of an established and well-used public transport facility and the consequences this could have for patients, visitors and staff travelling to the University Hospital of Wales.

The strength of local concern is already clear. The applicant's own consultation process recorded significant opposition to the loss of the Park and Ride, with 44 of the 53 responses objecting to its removal.

During a recent visit, Cardiff Bus also advised my office that approximately 300 to 400 cars use the service every day. This is not a redundant facility. It is an established service used by hundreds of motorists each day, while helping to reduce the number of vehicles travelling directly to and parking around the University Hospital of Wales.

Of particular importance to me is the role the service plays in providing access to the hospital. Patients may be elderly, disabled, undergoing treatment or attending important appointments, while hospital staff and visitors also depend upon practical and reliable transport options.

At a time when motorists already face considerable congestion and parking pressures across Cardiff, I am not convinced that removing an established Park and Ride used by hundreds of motorists every day is in the interests of residents.

I am also concerned that the information currently available does not provide sufficient reassurance about the consequences of losing this service. Residents have highlighted an apparent discrepancy between the applicant's statement that an alternative Park and Ride site has been identified and Cardiff and Vale University Health Board stating during consultation that it had no knowledge of proposals for such a site.

My office has raised the future of the Park and Ride directly with Cardiff Council and discussed the service with Cardiff Bus. I am also due to meet the Leader of Cardiff Council on 24 August, where I have ensured this issue will be on the agenda.

However, given the importance of the Park and Ride to my constituents and the strength of local opposition to its loss, I believe my position should also be formally recorded on the planning file.

I therefore formally object to planning application 26/00109/HYB and ask Cardiff Council to refuse the application.

Residents have already raised detailed concerns regarding this development through the planning process. As their elected representative, I believe those concerns deserve to be listened to. My principal concern is clear: I do not believe sufficient justification has been demonstrated for the loss of a well-used public transport facility which plays an important role in enabling patients, staff and visitors to access the University Hospital of Wales.

I would be grateful if this letter could be registered as my formal objection and placed on the relevant planning file.

Yours sincerely,

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