**Lubbesthorpe Local Centre consultation.**

**May 2021**

**Comments made by Lubbesthorpe Parish Council.**

**Comments on the whole area**

Comment: EV charging points are needed.

Response: These will be incorporated in the shared car park and at the care home.

Comment: The care home is not a priority at this time in the development. The space taken by the care home could be better used for leisure/sports facilities.

Response: This was always part of our plans for the Local Centre.  The proposed position has changed because we did not receive any interest from pub operators and with think a café\bistro within the centre will be more a suitable meeting venue with a more flexible food and beverage offer.  There is a shortage of high-quality modern care places within the locality, and we are in advanced discussions with a leading care provider.  The care home will make a positive contribution to the community.

Comment: There is not any motor bike parking. This could easily be put into some of the areas that are not the right shape for a car to park in.

Response: The Local Centre is in a highly sustainable location from a transport perspective with excellent walking, cycling and public transport connectivity.  The benefits of motorcycles in such locations is limited, therefore we do not propose to provide dedicate motorcycle parking spaces.   As you point out in your comments, there are a number of areas that are not suitable for car parking spaces that motorcyclists can use on an informal basis.

Comment: It is felt that there are not enough parking spaces (approx. 73 around the local centre). Parking will be used by employees of the various shops and doctors. (5 employees per shop + 15 at the doctors =40). Leaving very few (approx. 30) for the people visiting the various shops and doctors. People dropping off children at school. Lubbesthorpe Parish Council feel that it is very important to have enough parking as it not desirable to have cars parking on Tay Road.

Response: The Local Centre is a sustainable destination accessible by all forms of travel.  The level of parking has been reviewed against the Leicestershire County Council standards and we are confident that there is sufficient parking within the site to ensure there is no overspill parking onto Tay Road. Within the parking court we will have cycle stands and Electric Vehicle Charging Points.  The ArrivaClick will be able to drop off and pickup within the parking court.

**Comments on the Local Centre**

Comment: Where would the delivery vehicles park. There needs to be some designated parking for vehicles unloading so that they do not park on Tay Road.

Response: A dedicated delivery lay-by is provided as vehicles exit the parking court at the rear of the commercial building

Comment: Rubbish bins for the shops. It can be seen that there is an internal bin store, but this only looks big enough for 2 bins. 5 shops and a doctor’s surgery would need more than this. The suggestion is 2 bins per shop.

Response: The majority of businesses are actively working to minimise waste.  The convenience store will store its rubbish internally and it will be taken away by the same vehicles that make its deliveries.  We are reviewing refuse bin storage for the other retail units and GPs and will update the drawings prior to submitting our application.

Comment: Bins need to be easy access for the bin lorry. At the moment, where the store is it is not easily accessed as parking bays are in the way.

Response: Waste collections will be managed for the Local Centre as a whole to avoid conflict between visitors and bin lorries.

**Comments on the care home**

Comment: Bins need to be easy access for the bin lorry, At the moment parking bays are in front of the bin store.

Response: The care home has its own covered bin store to the rear of the building.