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Response to Planning application from Hertfordshire County Council (T and CP GDP Order 2015)

Director of Planning

North Hertfordshire Council
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District ref: 25/02530/FP
HCC ref: NH/26876/2025
HCC received: 20 October 2025
Area manager: Manjinder Sehmi
Case officer: Senober Khan

Location

Letchworth Autoway Centre Ltd , Norton Way North, Letchworth Garden City, Hertfordshire, SG6 1BP

Application type

Full Application

Proposal

Full Planning Permission : Minor alterations to existing buildings (Sui Generis - Automotive use), including forming new openings, alterations to fenestration, painting and recladding of existing external elevations, replacement roof to showroom and installation of metal roof over existing workshop roof. Erection of detached valet building

Recommendation

Notice is given under article 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 that Hertfordshire County Council as Highway Authority does not wish to restrict the grant of permission.

Highways comments:

The submitted Design and Access (D&A) Statement confirms that the existing car showroom and workshop will be retained with minor alterations. A new 96 sqm valet building is proposed adjacent to the workshop.

The Highways Authority (HA) has reviewed the D&A and has the following comments to make:

The site, previously operating as a SEAT dealership, is currently vacant. Vehicular access will remain unchanged.

The site measures 3,041 sqm, with the showroom and workshop each occupying 395 sqm (26% site coverage). The gross external area of the showroom and workshop, including the mezzanine, totals 414 sqm. The proposed valet building represents the only increase in floor area by 96sqm.

Given the continued use within the same class and the modest increase in floor space, the development is not expected to adversely impact the local highway network.

Recommendation:

The HA raises no objection.

Signed

Senober Khan

10 November 2025