

Comments for Planning Application 142775/FO/2025

Application Summary

Application Number: 142775/FO/2025

Address: Lidl Food Store 263 Wilmslow Road Manchester M14 5LN

Proposal: Erection of discount food store (Use Class E) with associated car parking and landscaping.

Case Officer: Steven McCoombe

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: I object to this proposal on the following three grounds:

1. Poor Active Frontage

The building is set behind a large car park, creating a dead street edge. This breaches Core Strategy Policy DC14 and the GM Streets for All Guide, which require active, pedestrian-friendly frontages. The existing Lidl Supermarket on 3-4 Wilmslow Road is a good example of this.

2. Excessive Parking in a Sustainable Location

The site has good access to walking, cycling, and public transport, yet has been proposed with high parking provision. This conflicts with Policy T1 and TfGM's Travel Choices Strategy, which promote reduced car use and sustainable travel.

3. Climate and Place-Making Conflict

The car-dominated layout undermines Manchester's zero-carbon 2038 target and place-making aims in the Local Plan Issues Consultation 2020.

The scheme should be redesigned to reduce parking, bring the building to the street edge, and prioritise active travel.