

Name of Applicant Type of Certificate	Proposal	Map/Plan Policy	Plan Ref. Expiry Date
David Lloyd Fitness Centre 'A'	Single storey rear extension - David Lloyd Fitness Centre, Slideslow Drive, Bromsgrove	RES	<b>B/2007/0809</b> 17.10.2007

**RECOMMENDATION:** that the determination of the application be **DELEGATED** to the Head of Planning and Environment Services upon the expiry of the publicity period on 13th September 2007 (minded to approve).

### Consultations

WCC(HP)	Consulted - views received 03.07.2007: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No objection</li> </ul>
EHO	Consulted - views received 24.07.2007: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No objection</li> </ul>
EDO	Consulted - views received 27.07.2007: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic Development supports the application</li> <li>• This is a very minor extension within the overall footprint of a large leisure and employment site</li> <li>• The David Lloyd Centre provides significant local employment</li> </ul>
Worcestershire County Council Rights of Way	Consulted 13.08.2007: views awaited
Ramblers Association	Consulted 13.08.2007: views awaited
Publicity	6 letters sent 23.07.2007: no response received (expire 13.08.2007) 2 letters sent 26.07.2007: no response received (expire 16.08.2007) 1 site notice posted 09.08.2007: no response received (expires 30.08.2007) 1 site notice posted 21.08.2007: no response received (expires 11.09.2007) 1 press notice published 27.07.2007: no response received (expires 17.08.2007) 1 press notice published 23.08.2007: no response received (expires 13.09.2007)

### The site and its surroundings

This application relates to the David Lloyd Leisure complex located on the southern side of Slideslow Drive, with the eastern boundary running along the A38 and the southern boundary to residential dwellings in Blackwood Road.

The site consists of a substantial building housing a number of leisure uses and activities, with an outdoor swimming pool and outdoor tennis courts. The western boundary runs alongside the North East Worcestershire College campus. The site is within a recognised residential area.

## Proposals

The scheme relates to the erection of a single storey flat roof extension located centrally within the complex to form an adults lounge area (currently an external terrace area). The building is proposed to be constructed in external render and glazing to match the existing building. A flat roof overhang to provide a covered walkway to the external tennis courts is proposed to the west and south elevations.

The building is flanked by the tennis courts to the west and south.

## Relevant policies

WMSS QE1, QE2, QE3  
WCSP SD.2, CTC.1, T.1  
BDLP DS3, DS13, E4, E9, S28, S29, TR11  
Others PPS1, PPG17

## Relevant planning history

B/2000/0848 Erection of David Lloyd Leisure Centre (D2), Travel Inn (C1) and Brewers Fayre (A3), relocate college car parking, together with new car parking to serve the leisure development, new roundabout access off A38 and internal roads/landscaping: approved 07.02.2001

## Notes

I consider the main issues whilst considering this particular application relate to whether the proposal is appropriate for this location and whether the proposal complies with the policies identified in the Bromsgrove District Local Plan. The proposal must also be considered in terms of impact on the amenity of the area and on the adjacent occupiers.

## Design

The scheme has been approached sensitively to reflect that of the modern design of the compound building. I therefore consider the scheme to be acceptable in design terms and the modern architectural approach will complement the existing leisure complex.

## Amenity

The extension will be seen obliquely from the existing dwellings in Alder Way but will have no impact on residential amenity given the backdrop of the existing building. The structure will remove the external seating area and thus will contribute to a reduction of noise in this location. The EHO has raised no objection to the scheme.

## Conclusions

The WCC(HP) has raised no objection to the scheme. As such I find the scheme to be acceptable.

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