

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2023/3223/P	Mark Hayden	14/08/2023 15:58:10	OBJ	<p>7.8 Parking provision states "Cycle storage areas within the hoarding boundary are to be relocated to facilitate construction logistics and operations.</p> <p>Data provided within the GOSH Travel Plan 2022 has been utilised to facilitate the production of options for new cycle parking facilities. The planning application proposes to replace lost cycle parking within the Morgan Stanley Building."</p> <p>I do not believe the statement above is technically correct. As I understand the plans currently, there will be no "new" cycle parking facilities and "lost cycle parking" will not be replaced. Again, to my understanding the current plan is to refresh some existing cycle parking that was installed (for a previous planning application) and never used by cyclists as it was not fit for purpose. The hope is that despite removing the largest, most popular and best used parking on the GOSH estate that cyclists will start using the "refreshed area". The area will remain open to the elements and is likely to still have significant pigeon droppings. In addition to access the area staff will need to wheel their (potentially wet and muddy) bikes through clinical areas and come into contact with patients and families some on beds en-route to and from theatre. This is likely to have a negative impact for staff likely to be caring for these patients in clinical roles later. The proposed mitigation strategy has been strongly criticised by some GOSH cyclists as not fit for purpose and likely to significantly reduce the number of regular cyclists to GOSH. This will work against the stated active travel ambitions of both GOSH and Camden. I would suggest that an expert in cycle parking provision independent of the trust and construction company makes a site visit to see the location of the proposed provision before this amendment is approved.</p>
