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Dar Hamish,

Having viewed the details for planning application no. DM/23/2493 for the details for the retention of use of site as a long stay car park, the nearest fire hydrant to this site is 430 metres further than the 90 metre distance required for a commercial premises. If an alternative supply of water for firefighting is to be considered it will need to conform with the details identified in Approved Document – B (AD-B) Volume 2 2019 edition: B5 section 16. Although this is not a property or commercial building there are a significant amount of cars being stored in one site, it is unclear how many, but parked cars do present an increased fire risk to the area and an area the Fire Service will need access to and water to extinguish and prevent a fire spreading to other areas.

Evidence will be required to show there is suitable access for a fire appliance to attend the site in the event of a fire, including a suitable turning facility to enable a fire appliance to exit without the need to reverse more than 20 metres to reach a turning facility or the exit from the site.

Regards
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