

Change of use from B1 (Offices) to D1 (non residential institution) for use as a community facility offering space for worship, training, education & meetings with associated works which include an extension to the front & a low boundary fence to demark the site area at the front.

In response to your questions on the times of use & transport development control questions we would reply as follows;

1.0.0. Times of use

Zainabiya Welfare Foundation has confirmed the hours of use as follows;

- Thursday- 7.30pm -10.30pm
- Friday- 12noon -2pm
- Sunday- 10.30am – 1pm

Additional opening times will be added on main Islamic festive dates which will also be between the hours of 7-30pm – 10-30pm outside of office hours.

There will be an average of 50 attendees & on Friday lunchtime an average of 15 attendees.

1.1.0. Parking arrangements

Having regard to the transport comments, the arrangements will be as follows;

- Only disabled & staff will be allowed to park on site, this will be detailed on their website & a prominent notice will be displayed on site. This will be policed strictly by parking attendants. Those staff members & disabled will be issued with permits.
- The parking layout has been revised as required by transport & now accommodate 7 car parking spaces which can all leave in a forward direction.
- Cycle storage is shown for 6 cycles
- Bin storage is shown.
- As advised by Transport, there is ample space in the carpark behind the Co-op, all attendees arriving by car will be instructed to park in this car park.

I have produced a travel plan which is enclosed.

I trust this is sufficient for your needs.

Kind regards,



Travel plan relating to the

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1.0.0. Introduction

This includes a brief outline of the benefits of sustainable travel ie health & the environment & to give the attendees a maximum choice in choosing how to travel to & from the facility.

1.1.0. Walking

Walking to the facility will be encouraged where possible & practicable depending on where the attendees live. The Web site will encourage local attendees to walk & use ie www.openstreetmap.org as a useful reference. This will also show local facilities, bus stops etc.

1.2.0. Cycling

If able, the attendees will be encouraged to use their cycles to get to the facility
Two Websites will be advised- www.openstreetmap.org & www.reading-travelinfo.co.uk/cycling/routes.aspx

There is lockable cycle storage on site & this will be advised in the website.

1.3.0. Bus Travel

If convenient attendees will be encouraged to use public transport & details of local services will be included within their Website as follows;

www.reading-buses.co.uk

1.4.0. Train Travel

It is doubted whether this will be convenient however the following Website will be advised;

www.gwr.com/journey-planner

1.5.0. Taxi

There are many taxi firms on the web which will allow convenient travel to & from the facility, it is not reasonable to highlight one or two as there are many reputable firms on the Web.

1.6.0. Car Share

As most of the attendees know each other, car sharing will be encouraged through the website, however please note that the attendees are mostly families & therefore the cars will be in the main be full.

1.7.0. Journey planner

Travel planners are available such as www.transportdirect.info or www.travelline.info & these will be advised on the Website.

1.8.0. Coming by car

Details of the car parking arrangement will be detailed on the website & strict controls on site via parking marshals & permit allocation.

Apart from disabled attendees & staff all others will be directed to park in the public car park behind the Co -op with a map showing where it is. There is safe access from this car park to the facility.

