

8th January 2024



**RE: Proposed Temporary Mobile Breast Screening Unit at Newton House, Cheddleton Road, Leek, Staffs.
PP-12675092**

STATEMENT OF NEED

This application is a direct consequence of the loss of the site previously issued temporary (9yr) approval for this facility at Britannia House under application ref SMDC/2017/0734. This application will seek to gain approval for the temporary location of the unit at this new location, as well as other Sites, subject to separate applications, within the North Staffordshire area on a rotating basis comprising 16 months with 20-month interval (1 cycle) – total of 3 cycles (9 yr total)

The proposal has been designed to have minimal impact on the existing site & parking arrangements and is supported by the Co-operative Bank themselves. The unit has been designed to be easily transferred from one site to another and is therefore intended to be re-located to different parts of North Staffordshire, subject to separate Planning Applications, bringing extended Diagnostic facilities into the wider community.

The overall floor plan of the unit is 45.4m² with a height of 3070mm excluding its feet which are adjustable between 65 & 200mm. The length of the unit is 13m. The layout and location of the unit has been determined to make efficient use of the site whilst not disrupting normal activities of the Superstore customers. This proposal does not affect any of the existing soft landscaping and takes up a maximum of 4 parking spaces. Access into the unit is from pavement level via integral ramps.

We would draw your attention to previous historic applications for this Unit across North Staffordshire and the accepted "Personal Permission" mechanism used in these circumstances. We trust that this and the online submission is sufficient to enable you to process the application in a timely manner and await your decision notice in due course. If however, you feel that the information requires clarification or expansion then please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

This application is made to maintain this well used and supported community healthcare facility, and we trust that its continued use in this new location will meet with your approval.

Yours Faithfully,

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