



**Wigan**♥  
**Council**

## **Request**

ANY communications between Wigan authorities and Garrett Hall school staff/governors in Tyldesley that relate to the construction and ongoing disruption at Astley business park. Including alleged issues that affect the learning environment at the school.

## **Response**

Please see attached email correspondence. Personal data (i.e. names of senders and recipients of emails) has been redacted as this is exempt from disclosure under s40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

In providing this response, the Council has interpreted the reference to "Astley Business Park, Chaddock Lane, Astley" as relating to the development granted planning permission under application reference A/23/96226/MAJOR. The Development Management (DM) Team wrote to the school as part of the consultation on the processing of the above planning application. That was prior to planning permission and construction of the development taking place. No further contact since this correspondence has been made by the DM Team or the wider Planning & Regeneration Team.

**From:** [REDACTED] @ Garrett Hall Primary  
**Subject:** Re: Garrett hall  
**Date:** 11 September 2025 19:35:45  
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[image001.png](#)  
[image002.png](#)

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Sounds good. Thanks.

Please let me know how you get on and if any similar requests come in.

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**From:** [REDACTED] @admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 11, 2025 5:01 pm  
**To:** [REDACTED] @wigan.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** RE: Garrett hall

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Hi [REDACTED]  
Thanks for email.

I think it would be best if I contacted them via telephone or face to face, as this would be our normal procedure. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]. I have been in the classroom today and outside with children at break and lunch times.

In the summer term, the dust was quite bad and we contacted the site manager directly and they agreed to do more to 'dampen down' dust and this did help. If we have had any issues they have actually been quite quick to respond and the issue has been dealt with.

I will get back to you.

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

*Garrett Hall Primary School  
Garrett Lane  
Tyldesley  
Manchester  
M29 7EY*



**From:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** 11 September 2025 14:09  
**To:** [REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Re: Garrett hall

Hiya,

I think the most important thing here is that you maintain your relationship with parents raising legitimate concerns. If it ends up in the press, I think that's something we'll just have to deal with separately, if it does occur.

Do you want to draft response to the parent? I'm happy to help with wording, especially as I think some of those points will need to be reported in to the developer via us.

Happy to chat further,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 11, 2025 13:33  
**To:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** RE: Garrett hall

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Hi [REDACTED]  
Me again.

I have an interesting question for you. The reporter from the MEN put a post on a local FB site last night asking for parents of children at our school to contact them, to discuss what it is like for them in school as they said in the post that Garrett Hall had refused to engage.

As a result, this morning I have received this email from one of my parents. They are a resident of the area and I have no doubt that what ever is responded will get back to the press. Is there

any advice you can give regarding this.

This is the email received:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*Garrett Hall Primary School*

*Garrett Lane*

*Tyldesley*

*Manchester*

*M29 7EY*

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED] Garrett Hall

**Sent:** 10 September 2025 15:46

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** RE: Garrett hall

Hi [REDACTED]

As I thought – I don't want to answer any of these as I don't think it is appropriate nor do I want to be involved in the argument – I am happy for you to respond on my behalf ...no comment

Thanks for your support

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*Garrett Hall Primary School*

*Garrett Lane*

*Tyldesley*

*Manchester*

*M29 7EY*

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Sent:** 10 September 2025 15:43

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Subject:** Re: Garrett hall

Hiya,

As discussed, here are the questions:

1. What is it like for your staff teaching the children with the development work going on close by? It's been said in one meeting that a teacher has been struggling to make herself heard over the sound of the works taking place on the site. Is it or is it not disrupting the learning of those children?
2. In particular, how is it affecting the children in your school who are SEND pupils?
3. How do you feel about the school eventually being shadow of 60ft high warehouses?
4. How are the parents responding to the current situation?
5. Are there any other comments you might wish to make?

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 10, 2025 13:36

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** RE: Garrett hall

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Send me your number – I will ring you

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*Garrett Hall Primary School*

*Garrett Lane*

*Tyldesley*

*Manchester*

*M29 7EY*

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Sent:** 10 September 2025 13:36

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Subject:** Re: Garrett hall

Hiya,

I've just tried but could get through. I'll call again later this afternoon.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 10, 2025 12:25

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** RE: Garrett hall

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Hi [REDACTED]

Yes of course – I'm in my office now if free now – or this afternoon , just give me a call on 01942

[REDACTED]

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Garrett Hall Primary School  
Garrett Lane  
Tyldesley  
Manchester  
M29 7EY  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Sent:** 10 September 2025 11:03

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>; [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Subject:** Re: Garrett hall

[REDACTED]  
Hi [REDACTED],

Would it be possible to have a quick chat today? We've had an enquiry come in now from the MEN that I would like to talk through with you.

Thanks!

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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 4, 2025 14:08

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** RE: Garrett hall

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Hi [REDACTED]  
Thanks for getting back to me. I am fine in school and don't need any support at this time, I am just advising that I have reporters at the school gate this morning and advised them to contact the media team.

Good luck!

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Garrett Lane

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M29 7EY

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Sent:** 04 September 2025 10:20

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Subject:** Re: contact request

You don't often get email [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>. [Learn why this is important](#)

Yes, of course.

Happy to help. As you can imagine, we're getting a lot of enquiries about this one.

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**From:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 4, 2025 10:17

**To:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Cc:** [REDACTED] <[\[REDACTED\]@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** RE: contact request

Hi [REDACTED]

Are you able to support with this (or one of the team)?

Thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

People Directorate Children, Adults and Families  
Wigan Council  
Wigan Life Centre South, College Street,  
Wigan, WN1 1NJ



[REDACTED]  
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[www.facebook.com/WiganCouncilOnline](https://www.facebook.com/WiganCouncilOnline)

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**From:** [REDACTED] <[@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Sent:** 04 September 2025 10:08

**To:** [REDACTED] <[@wigan.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** contact request

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Hi [REDACTED]

Do you have the contact email for the media team? I have juts had the Manchester Evening news at school asking for comment on the building works at the back of our school. I obviously responded 'no comment' but wanted to let them know.

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*Garrett Hall Primary School*

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[REDACTED]



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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Date:** 14 October 2025 10:01:38  
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Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for getting in touch - it was fine. They actually went onto the estate at the side of school and approach families as they cam off the pathway which didn't impact on dismissal of the children thankfully.

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>

**Sent:** 13 October 2025 17:49

**To:** [REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>

**Cc:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>; Pealing, Catherine <C.Pealing@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Re: Media support - URGENT

Hiya,

Just following up on this. Was everything okay at home time?

We received an enquiry earlier this afternoon and have provided the reporter with our standard response. They didn't raise any issues that we hadn't been asked about before.

thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 13, 2025 12:06:19 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>; Pealing, Catherine <C.Pealing@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Re: Media support - URGENT

Hi,

I've tried to call but I'm on hold on the main office number.

I'll keep trying but you can reach me on [REDACTED]

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 13, 2025 11:57  
**To:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]@wigan.gov.uk>; Pealing, Catherine <C.Pealing@wigan.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Media support - URGENT

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Hi [REDACTED]

Just wondering if you would give me a call asap please, we have had 2 TV companies contact us and one (Good Morning Britain) came to school this morning and asked if

they could come onto the playground at home time to speak to parents - we said no.

Good morning Britain have said they will be with a film crew at the end of our pathway (not on school property) to speak to parents about the building being built behind us and the impact on their children from 3pm onwards. This is going to cause me a lot of problems particular in that the pathways are really narrow and will make it difficult for parents and children to pass safely along with 520 children, parents and cars this is going to be nightmare and dangerous.

*Kind regards*



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [REDACTED] @ Garrett Hall Primary  
**Subject:** Re: Granada Reports request F.A.O [REDACTED]  
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Thanks for letting me know. We've provided a statement.

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**From:** [REDACTED] @admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 15, 2025 14:42  
**To:** [REDACTED] @wigan.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Fw: Granada Reports request F.A.O [REDACTED]

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Hi [REDACTED]

I just wanted to let you know that we are being mentioned on Granda Reports again this evening.

Some of our families are now involved in talking to the press.

*Kind regards*

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

*Garrett Hall Primary School*

*Garrett Lane*

*Tyldesley*

*Manchester*

*M29 7EY*

[REDACTED]



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**From:** Enquiries Garrett Hall <enquiries@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Sent:** 15 October 2025 13:16  
**To:** [REDACTED]@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Subject:** FW: Granada Reports request F.A.O [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]@itv.com>  
**Sent:** 15 October 2025 13:15  
**To:** Enquiries Garrett Hall <enquiries@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk>  
**Subject:** Re: Granada Reports request F.A.O [REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED],

I just wanted to update you on the story that will be running on Granada Reports at 6 o'clock tonight.

We have spoken to some concerned parents and locals, we are also using some of the interviews that Good Morning Britain gathered when they were in the area yesterday.

I respect the school's decision not to comment, but wanted to keep you in the loop.

Best Regards

[REDACTED]

On Wed, 8 Oct 2025 at 15:53, Enquiries Garrett Hall  
<[enquiries@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)> wrote:

**Subject:** Re: Health Concerns Story – Granada Reports

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your email and for your continued interest in the wellbeing of our local community.

While I appreciate the importance of your upcoming report and the concerns being raised, I must respectfully decline your request to involve the school or participate



in the story. I trust you will understand our decision.

I wish you every success with your coverage and hope the discussions with residents provide meaningful insight.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

*Garrett Hall Primary School*

*Garrett Lane*

*Tyldesley*

*Manchester*

*M29 7EY*

[REDACTED]



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**From:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@itv.com>

**Sent:** 07 October 2025 16:05

**To:** Enquiries Garrett Hall <[enquiries@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@admin.garretthall.wigan.sch.uk)>

**Subject:** Granada Reports request F.A.O [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

I am contacting you from Granada Reports in connection with a story I am doing next week.

On Wednesday I am meeting up with several local residents to talk about their health concerns since the building work began on the nearby warehouses.

I came out last month and spoke to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] along with other residents about their concerns with the new development.

This is a follow up story about the possible health implications. I am wondering if you have any concerns about the health of any of the children at school since the work began?

It would be nice to come to the school and see the impact due to its proximity.

I can give you a call to discuss further?

Best regards



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