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This comment was submitted by the AHSS Highlands & Islands Cases Panel via an online planning portal

Council: Fife

Application reference: 21/00898/LBC

Address: Viewforth High School, Loughborough Road, Kirkcaldy

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The AHSS Forth & Borders Cases Panel objects to the demolition of this part of the stables block.

The future of both Eastbank House and Viewforth High School are vital to secure before any permission is given for the development of the remainder of this site. A solution must be found to the restoration of Eastbank House, which should not be excluded from considerations as it appears to be in these plans.

The stables block is not presently damaged by fire, unlike the two buildings above, and the removal of one end block would compromise its form from the south, while rendering the remaining block truncated and likely without an intended outer wall.

An alternative entrance solution should be found, such as making greater use of the proposed eastern site access, and moving the proposed north access further east.