

226654 – Showell Nurseries, Chippenham Updated Travel Plan Action Plan

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Introduction

1. Vectos have been commissioned by Taylor Wimpey to provide transport and highways advice in relation to the discharging of Condition 23 as part of the outline application 17/08552/OUT. The outline application which was submitted in 2017 is described as “*Outline Planning Application for Residential Development of Approximately 120 Dwellings, including up to 40% Affordable Housing, Open Space, Landscaping, Drainage Features and Associated Infrastructure with all Matters Reserved, Except Access*”
2. This document sets out a proposed updated list of measures and corresponding Action Plan for the implementation of a Travel Plan pursuant to the discharge of Condition 23 of outline permission 17/08552/OUT.
3. Condition 23 is set out as follows:

23 - No residential unit shall be occupied until those parts of the Residential Travel Plan capable of being implemented prior to occupation have been implemented. Those parts identified for implementation after occupation shall be implemented in accordance with the timetable contained therein and shall continue to be implemented as long as any part of the development is occupied. The Residential Travel Plan Co-ordinator shall be appointed and carry out the identified duties to implement the Residential Travel Plan for a period from first occupation until at least 2 years following occupation of the last residential unit.

REASON - In the interests of reducing the amount of private car movements to and from the development.
4. This is an evolving document and will continue to be updated as and when additional information is available, for example, details of specific travel planning events are confirmed. For reference, this is document “Action Plan V1 May 2022.”

Existing Travel Plan

5. As part of the outline application a Residential Travel Plan was submitted and approved. Condition 23 relates to the implementation of the approved Travel Plan. This Action Plan is developed based on the approved Travel Plan as well as the requirements of the S106.

6. Although several measures were presented within the submitted Travel Plan, some of those measures were not committed to or appropriate for the size of development. This document sets out a reasonable set of measures based on the approved residential travel plan and S106 requirements.
7. Once agreed with the LPA, the developer can begin to implement the measures.

S106

8. It should be noted that there is no obligation within the S106 for any Travel Plan or measures as this is secured via condition 23, however several contributions are listed, these include:
 - Pedestrian and Cycle Link Contribution – means the sum of FORTY-SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED POUNDS (£46,200) index linked to be used to improve pedestrian and cycle links between the Development and the Chippenham town centre or such other sum as is calculated in accordance with Part 5B of Schedule 1;
 - Public Footpath Contribution – means the sum of FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED POUNDS (£4,200) index linked to be used towards the improvement of public footpath CHIP4 and ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED POUNDS (£1,200) index linked to be used towards improvements to LAC09 and LAC39 between the Development and Lackham College or such other sum as is calculated in accordance with part 5B or Schedule 1;
 - Public Transport Contribution – means the sum of FIFTY – TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY POUNDS (£52,560) index linked to be used by the Council towards improving public transport links to and from the Development or such other sum as is calculated in accordance with part 5B of Schedule 1.

Updated Measures

9. The following section outlines the measures that will be implemented at the development to encourage sustainable travel. Within the Travel Plan submitted at the outline application stage, several measures were non-committal or appropriate for the development. This section sets out which measures will be introduced at the development, updating/omitting the measures set out in the previous Travel Plan where appropriate.

Internet

10. Broadband connection will be provided to each dwelling. This enables residents to gain access to the internet, allowing future residents to work from home, shop online for goods and to gain access to services which can contribute towards a reduced to travel. The necessary broadband infrastructure will be delivered at the construction phase and prior to occupation. which is circa July 2023.

Cycle Parking

11. Both apartment blocks (serving plots 66-71 & 72-75) share a cycle store which is built onto the side of apartment block 1. There will be on-plot garages for plots 3-6, 10-13, 16, 17, 57-59, 91, 99, 105-

112, 116-120. In addition, all affordable Shared ownership and affordable rented will have garden sheds for cycle storage use.

Residents Welcome Pack

12. New residents will be provided with a Welcome Pack containing information on sustainable travel and its benefits.
13. The provision of information for alternatives to the car is an important aspect of residential Travel Plans. The packs will contain the following information:
 - A summarised version of the Travel Plan document, that sets out the purpose and benefits etc;
 - Timetables and route maps for public transport, particularly local bus services, reference will also be made to the Connecting Wiltshire website;
 - Contact numbers and web details for the Traveline Journey Planner and National Rail will be supplied;
 - Local taxi company details;
 - Local Car Club information including the nearest locations will be supplied;
 - Walking for work and also leisure will be encouraged as part of the Welcome Pack. Maps of the local area will be included setting out walking and cycling routes as well as local nature walks;
 - Cycling will also be encouraged for commuting to work and also leisure rides. The Welcome Pack will include maps of local cycle routes;
 - Web details for any community travel sites and community forum sites;
 - Details of the benefits of sustainable travel;
 - Web and other contact details for major retailers offering home shopping facilities;
 - Contact details for Car Sharing schemes;
 - Information leaflets provided by Wiltshire Council;
 - Set out contact details of the TPC;
 - Set out details for Personalised Travel Planning; and
 - Set out details for Annual Travel Planning event.
14. Details of schemes such as www.carshare.com and www.liftshare.com will be included in Welcome Packs. Sharing journeys to local employment sites or to rail stations should be encouraged as this

will have a direct positive impact on traffic congestion and air quality levels as well as acting a good social networking opportunity.

15. The Welcome Pack itself will be prepared prior to the occupation of the development as this will involve discussions with third party parties such as cycle shops and public transport operators
16. The actual Welcome Pack will be distributed upon occupation so that the new homeowners can begin to make sustainable travel choices from the outset of their occupation. The first Welcome Packs will be distributed circa July 2023. It is foreseen that the construction of the development will take approximately 2 years, therefore the Welcome Pack will be updated following the second anniversary of first occupation, however, this will be at the discretion of the TPC.

Proposed Bus Service

17. As part of the development at Rowden Park, a diversion and enhancement to the X34 bus service will be delivered as well and an extension to the 55 bus service; further details are included within the Transport Assessments (Planning Ref: 14/12118/OUT and 16/12493/FUL). Moreover, a contribution to public transport facilities has been incorporated as a contribution via the S106.

Personalised Travel Planning

18. Within the Welcome Pack, the Travel Plan Coordinator will provide details about a targeted Personalised Travel Planning Program. This would involve providing residents with contact details of the TPC, whereby the TPC can provide individually tailored sustainable travel information to encourage residents to consider a range of transport options for their various journeys. This would be undertaken virtually to minimise the need to travel. This measure would also act as a key tool for the marketing and promotion of the measures within the Travel Plan. This would be available throughout the lifetime of the Travel Plan. The first Welcome Packs will be distributed circa July 2023.

Travel Planning Days/Events

19. The Travel Plan Coordinator would hold 'Travel Planning Days' or events annually (for a period from first occupation until 2 years following occupation of the last residential unit) to promote the Travel Plan and travelling via sustainable modes.
20. The 'Travel Planning Day' events would ideally coincide with national and international events such as Bike Week Events (www.bikeweek.org.uk), to which residents of the development would be invited to attend, would highlight the benefits of travelling via alternative modes to the car. Details for the travel planning days, including dates will be made available within the Welcome Pack. The first Welcome Packs will be distributed circa July 2023.

Action Plan

21. **Table 1** below has been produced to highlight the measures that will be introduced at the scheme, the timescales for implementation and the responsibility. This Action Plan supersedes the Action Plan within the Travel Plan. It should be noted that Vectos will be acting as the Transport Coordinator at the site.

Table 1: Revised Action Plan

Measure	Timescale	Responsibility
Prior to Occupation/Construction Stage		
Provide Internet access	Pre-occupation (July 2023)	Taylor Wimpey
Provide Cycle Parking	Pre-occupation (July 2023)	Taylor Wimpey
Welcome Pack – discussions with local bike shops and public transport operators	Pre-occupation (July 2023)	TPC
Annual updates until full occupation	Annually until fully occupied.	TPC
Upon-Occupation		
Provide a Welcome Pack to residents	Provide upon occupation – the first dwellings are set to be occupied in 2022. Welcome Packs will be provided for all new residents from first occupation.	TPC
Personalised Travel Planning Program to be offered to residents within 3 months of occupation. Details will be provided within the welcome pack		TPC
Physical Travel Planning Day	Annually from first occupation until 2 years following occupation of the last residential unit	TPC

23. These measures will be provided in addition to the contributions listed as part of Paragraph 6. The measures will be implemented for a period up to 2 years post full occupation.

24. It has been agreed with Wiltshire Council that no monitoring of the Travel Plan will take place. This is due to Wiltshire not having enough staff resources to effectively review the monitoring/targets of the Travel Plan. A copy of the correspondence is included at **Appendix A**.

Summary and Conclusions

25. Vectos have been commissioned by Taylor Wimpey to provide transport and highways advice in relation to the discharging of Condition 23 as part of the outline application 17/08552/OUT.
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- REASON - In the interests of reducing the amount of private car movements to and from the development.*
27. As part of the outline application a Residential Travel Plan was submitted. Therefore, the condition relates to the implementation of the Travel Plan with the associated measures.
28. **Table 1** has been revised to include an appropriate list of measures for implementation at the site. Vectos is seeking to agree this table with WC so that implementation of the measures can begin and the condition can be discharged.

Appendix A

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Sustainable Transport



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