

Highway Development Control Consultation Response

Planning Application Ref: PL/2026/01336

Site Address: Oakley Farm, Bullocks Horn, Charlton, Malmesbury, SN16 9DZ.

Proposal: Construction of a new agricultural field entrance with a 12 ft (3.66 m) timber gate set 4.5 m back from the highway boundary.

Date of Consultation Response: 20/03/2026

I refer to the above planning application dated 05/03/2026 seeking permission for the construction of a new agricultural field entrance with a 12 ft (3.66 m) timber gate set 4.5 m back from the highway boundary.

There is some form of existing access onto Bullocks Horn Lane, an unclassified section of public highway subject to a speed limit of 60mph. Whilst the access appears to be a gated field access, it is to the south of the site and located close to the almost 90-degree bend on Bullocks Horn Lane.

The proposals seek to provide a new gated access further north on Bullocks Horn Lane within a section of relatively straight public highway. Any new access with the public highway is required to be provided with appropriate visibility splays demonstrated, if this access is to replace the access to the south then it would be appropriate to demonstrate an improvement to visibility, if not then the achievable splay should be in accordance with standards or provided with evidence to support a departure from standard.

The access would be set back from the public highway by 4.5m, with a proposed culvert and a type 1 aggregate and gravel surface. It is a requirement that accesses with the public highway are surfaced with a consolidated material to prevent loose material entering the public highway. Any gates are required to open into the site.

Alterations to the public highway will require a licence or permit to carry out the works.

At this stage I would wish to see a demonstration of the visibility splays achieved at the access with no obstruction over 900mm, along with a plan showing the area to be surfaced with a consolidated material.

If you have any queries regarding the above advice, please contact:

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