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Dear Richard

I write in reply to the consultation response from Wiltshire County Highways.

Off Site improvements/contribution

The request for dropped kerbs positioned at the access to the southwest of the site needs to be considered in light of the regulations. Bearing in mind it is an existing pedestrian route, the development site isn't introducing a new need for dropped kerbs.

The suggested £10,000 alternative contribution should also be justified in light of the regulations, and in particular what the £10,000 would provide, which must be directly related to the proposal. How is the sum of £10,000 derived?

Visibility to the side of the building.

The layout currently serves parking at the front and rear of the building and vehicles utilise the narrow link to the side of the building. This has operated for many years without undue concern.

The proposals sought to address the comments of the Highway Authority by providing a waiting area (passing place) for vehicles to manoeuvre with minimal impact. There is no need to limit this link to pedestrians only and open up the existing access. Such an option is not proposed.

Refuse Collection

The carry distance for waste set out in Manual for Streets is for guidance, that being 30m distance for residents and 20m for refuse collectors.

In certain circumstances, particularly brown field sites and reuse of existing buildings, such guidance needs to be considered with an element of flexibility and common sense.

It could therefore be possible to provide a bin collection point (BCP) some 20m within the site, which would allow waste collectors their specified carry distance and enable the majority of residents to take their waste to the collection point within the recommended carry distance of 30m.

A scheme that would result in some residents carrying a little further is not so demonstrable as to warrant a reasonable reason for refusal.

Cycle Provision

The location of cycle storage is safe and secure and is accessible to all future residents.

I trust that these comments are of assistance and should you require further information, please call.

Kind regards

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