

Highway Development Management Consultation Response

Planning Application Ref: PL/2025/09486

Site Address: Land South of Trowbridge

Proposal: Reserved Matters Application for a) The scale of the development; b) The layout of the development; c) The access road and the 'foot-cycleway' connecting the housing with the A361: including kerbing, any cutting/embankment/retaining structures, camber, surfacing, drainage and the stream crossing; d) The external appearance of the development; e) The landscaping of the site following outline planning consent 20/00379/OUT

Date of Consultation Response: 15/06/2026

Recommendation: Object, additional information/ revisions required

Introduction

I note the revisions received. Unfortunately, the vast majority of the issues raised in my previous comments, dated 12th February 2026 have not been resolved. The revisions have also included the re-design of some aspects of the layout and this too has created additional issues. All issues are detailed below accordingly and will need to be satisfactorily resolved to to gain the support of the Local Highway Authority.

Original Issues from 12/02/2026 (refer to original comments for details);

1. *Street lighting for A361 access* – Not Resolved. No lighting proposed at A361 access.
2. *Street lighting for pedestrian refuge crossing on A361* – Not Resolved. No lighting proposed at A361 crossing.
3. *Fire appliance swept paths for Emergency Access* – Not Resolved. No Swept paths shown for a fire appliance at the Westmead Close emergency access.
4. *Culvert/bridge details for Emergency Access* – Not Resolved. No details provided.
5. *Confirmation Northward pedestrian connections to be tarmac surface* – Not Resolved. Two rights of way routes to the North are shown as hogging. These should be tarmac.
6. *Widening of Southern connection to Bridleway to 3m, confirmation of tarmac surface and details of connection to Bridleway (e.g. bollards/gates etc)* – Not resolved. Shown only 2m and shown as hogging, when needs to be tarmac.
7. *Culvert/bridge details for internal access road* – Now provided. These have been passed to the Highways Structures Team and comments will be passed on in due course.

8. *Inclusion of spine road crossing facilities for SWCK1 and SWCK3 – Not Resolved. highlighted crossing points, visibility splays etc not provided.*
9. *Consideration of how cyclists enter and leave the principle shared use path to the A361 to/from the spine road – Not Resolved. No details/consideration made.*
10. *Amendments to turning area/swept paths for RCV near Plot 47 – Not Resolved. The swept paths have been removed from this area, but no new swept paths provided.*
11. *Additional bollards to be provided on Emergency Access near Plot 56 – Resolved. Bollard located at end of carriageway.*
12. *Visitor parking spaces adjacent to Plots 109, 110, 169 and 170, to be removed/relocated – Resolved. Re-design of area has removed these spaces.*
13. *Visitor parking space opposite Plot 178 to be removed/relocated – Resolved. Re-design of area has removed this space.*

Additional Issues

14. Loop roads serving Plots 117-132 and 133-156 do not meet adoptable criteria for shared surface. Would be accepted for planning but would not be adopted by LHA. This also applies to the various cul de sacs that have insufficient overall width for adoptable standards. As designed, it is only the spine road that would meet adoptable standards (subject to details). Applicant to advise preference – alter or remain private.
15. 0.5m buffer required around turning head between gardens of Plots 55 and 56.
16. 0.5m buffer required between Plot 19 and private drive area to south.
17. Spine road has insufficient traffic calming measures to meet 20mph zone criteria. Maximum spacing of 70m between features required.

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