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Apologies for this.

I *know* you are not going to believe this, but it occurred to me yesterday as I was sorting through some p/work that I'd not completed this for you – and it was my first intent to do today, in advance of coming over.

I did not note the planning application reference regrettably, but have all the plans you provided, and therefore comment on the basis of this information.

I would observe that the nature of the sign is unlikely to have any impact on highway safety. The sign is shown as being illuminated using LED tape, each LED being 0.5W with 192 LEDs internally placed. Whilst units of illumination (illumination, candella / m2 (cd/m2) are not necessarily a direct function of wattage (power, Wattage (W)) it is unlikely that the signage would be so bright as to be incongruous in respect of driver distraction giving rise to any highway safety concerns, nor shall it create any significant glare or dazzlement, or unwanted light on the carriageway. I would therefore observe that we would have no significant concerns in this matter. However, would recommend the following conditions in the interest of ensuring safe future maintainance of the proposals.

It is also useful to observe that until the S38 agreement is completed with the landowner, roads including Mosquito Way, are not yet highway maintainable at public expense, therefore the consultation presently would not impact at all on the public highway, or users of the road past the site, but thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Recommended conditions;

1. The intensity of illumination shall be controlled at a level that is within the limit recommended by the Institution of Lighting Professionals in TR5 Brightness of Illuminated Advertisements (2001).

Reason: To avoid undue distraction to road users in the interest of road safety.

2. The means of illumination shall be shielded at all times so that no glare or dazzle occurs to drivers of vehicles using the public highway, and such screening shall thereafter be maintained to the authority's satisfaction.

Reason: To avoid glare or undue distraction to road users in the interest of road safety.

Alan Story.
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