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Dear Clare

A previous response was provided by HCC Highways in respect of this outline planning application in 2018, covering the following aspects: bus service, rail service, walking/cycling provision and travel plan provision.

Further to this, following the submission of further transport Environmental Statement information in respect of this application, and development with highways work in respect of the TA, there are additional comments to make at this stage.

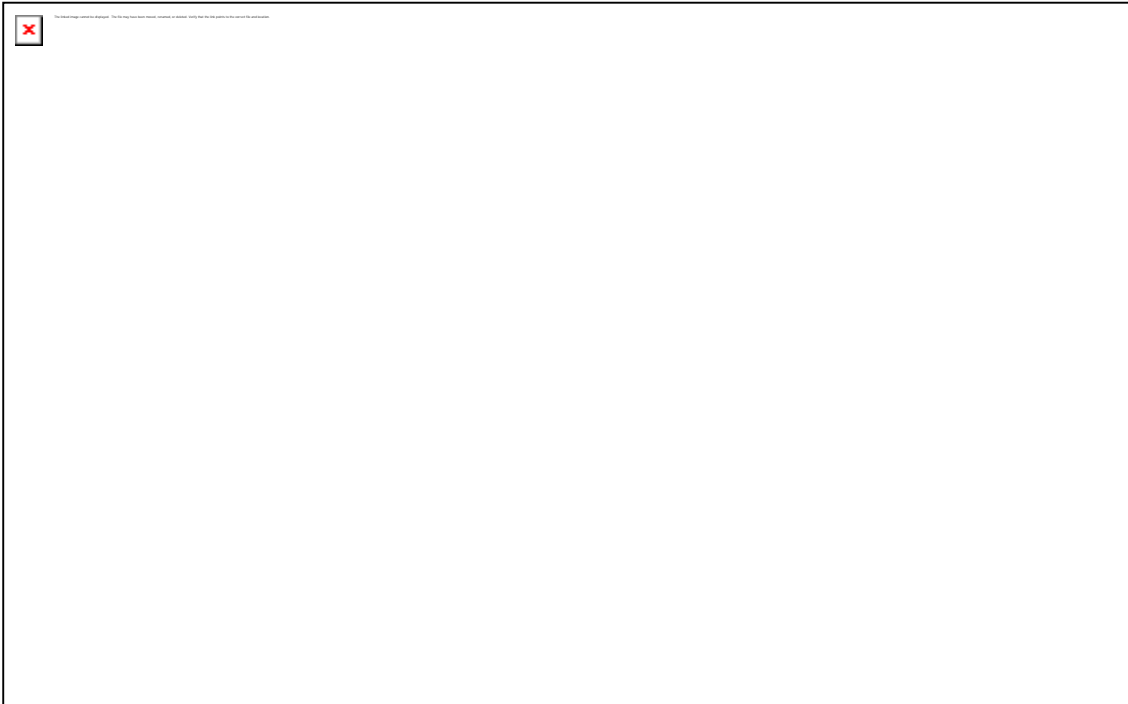
According to the 2020 TA amendment, transport consultants have considered mitigation after the COMET run was completed. The proposed mitigation has been assessed by HCC Highways and is outlined below.

**Mitigation considered** - A shared route along Coopers Green Lane towards St Albans, judged to be unfeasible. Instead there is the intention to connect to the existing route along Albatross Way and convert the Albatross way/ A1057/ Ellenbrook Lane mini roundabout south to traffic signals presenting the roundabout as a barrier to the existing recommended on line cycle route on Ellenbrook Lane.

**HCC comments** – This approach is considered acceptable by HCC Highways and HCC is investigating alternatives to Coopers Green Lane for delivering a Hatfield to St Albans sustainable transport corridor. However, whilst it is acknowledged that the Coopers Green Lane towards St Albans is unfeasible and the focus of the development should be to consider sustainable access to the south and St Albans Way, the foot path within the development parallel to Coopers Green Lane (shown on the Masterplan in the TA Amendment) must be a segregated cycleway as per LTN 1/20 and link into the adjacent facilities along Hatfield Avenue. Pedestrians currently have gated access to the development site at this location and it should be maintained, the masterplan currently does not indicate it is.



There is also a pedestrian gated access to the site circa 200m west of the above gated access on Coopers Green Lane and this should be integrated into the development also. The removal of the Albatross Way/ A1057/ Ellenbrook Lane mini roundabout suggested by the transport consultants by way of mitigation would be delivered through the S278 process. The previous HCC Highways comments also mentions the pedestrian connection to the adjacent residential area to the east of the site (Cunningham Ave/ Dragon Rd) and the shared use path to the Parkhouse Retail Park which is adjacent to the residential area. Whilst the footpath is shown as an unlabelled line on the Residential Access Road Plan (drawing 107 Rev A) it is not shown on the Masterplan or mentioned in the text. Confirmation/ continuity of this valuable link is needed and the short section of footpath upgraded to shared use to tie in with the existing facility.



The TA and Amendment indicate that a network of high quality cycle routes will be provided throughout the site it is important when it is finalised it incorporates these accesses.

**Mitigation considered** – Providing a slip road at the A1(M) junction 3 roundabout.

**HCC comments** - The principal is accepted however it does not have the substantial merge that was previously considered by AECOM and whilst the roundabout is signal and slip road are signal controlled the design will need to be subject of a Road Safety Audit (RSA).

**Mitigation considered** – Partial Signalisation of the A1001/A1057/ Cavendish Way roundabout

**HCC comments** - This is accepted, however the RSA should also consider the designs.

**Mitigation considered** – Contributions to Bus Services and Sustainable Transport.

**HCC comments** – Sufficient S106 contributions would be required to be sought.

**Mitigation considered** – Travel Plans (School and Residential)

**HCC comments** - Each Travel Plan would be secured by S106 and subject to an evaluation and support fee contribution of £1,200 p.a calculated from first occupation to 5 years post full occupation (this is a one off payment, that has been calculated on estimated occupation rates). The previous response considered one travel plan however, the transport consultants have correctly identified that both a residential and school travel plan are required.

Kind regards

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