WHBC

Dear Sirs

Thank you for your letter regarding the planning application for outline permission for the above site. I set out my comments below.

The adjacent footpath <u>should not be adversely affected or altered in any way</u>. If and when this development is to proceed the footpath should be protected at a minimum to its current width and surface condition.

I would also make the following comments on the potential impacts the development works might entail and the required minimum standards regarding the maintenance of the Public's rights and safety during and after construction.

- The Public Right of Way should remain unobstructed by vehicles, machinery, materials, tools and any other aspects of the construction during works.

- The safety of the public using the route and any other routes to be used by construction traffic should be a paramount concern during works, safe passage past the site should be maintained at all times.

- The condition of the route should not deteriorate as a result of these works. Any adverse effects to the surface from traffic, machinery or materials (especially overspills of cement & concrete) to be made good by the applicant to the satisfaction of this Authority.

- All materials to be removed at the end of the construction and not left on the Highway or Highway verges.

If the above conditions cannot reasonably be achieved then a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order would be required to close the affected route and divert users for any periods necessary to allow works to proceed. A fee would be payable to Hertfordshire County Council for such an order.

I trust this is satisfactory, but if you or the applicants have any further queries relating to Public Rights of Way please contact me at the above number and address.

Yours sincerely

Richard Cuthbert
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