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**Response to Planning application from Hertfordshire County Council (T and CP GDP Order 2015)**

**Director of Planning**

Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council  
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District ref: 6/2020/1159/COND  
HCC ref: WH/2055/2020  
HCC received: 2 June 2020  
Area manager: Matthew Armstrong  
Case officer: Ania Jakacka

**Location**

STANBOROUGH PARK NORTH STANBOROUGH ROAD WELWYN GARDEN CITY AL8 6DF

**Application type**

Approval of Details

**Proposal**

Submission of details pursuant to condition 9 (provision of appropriate footway) on planning permission 6/2019/0857/MAJ

**Decision**

Notice is given under article 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 that the Hertfordshire County Council as Highway Authority recommends that permission be refused for the following reasons:

The Decision Notice for 6/2019/0857/MAJ states under Condition 9:

“Notwithstanding the details indicated on the submitted drawings no on-site works above slab level shall commence until a detailed scheme for the provision of appropriate footway links between the site and the Stanborough Road junction, and improvements to pedestrian facilities across the Stanborough Road access have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure construction of a satisfactory development and that the highway improvement works are designed to an appropriate standard in the interest of highway safety and amenity and in accordance with Policy 5, 13 and 21 of Hertfordshire’s Local Transport Plan (adopted 2018)”.

**Response**

This is a submission of an application that seeks the discharge of Condition 9 for decision notice 6/2019/0857/MAJ.

The submitted application, under the reference 6/2020/1159/COND contains a single drawing for consideration to support the discharge of the condition.

It was agreed as part of the application that there were opportunities to improve pedestrian facilities across the site access to the Northern Car Park (dropped kerbs with tactile) and also that pedestrian accessibility into the park at this point is limited in terms of width and is shared with vehicles entering the site. The TA set forward that there exist opportunities to improve such conditions, through the provision of footway / cycle way along the northern edge of the car park access road from the footway along Stanborough Road to the car parks height restriction. Beyond this point all routes feature traffic calming (speed cushions) and the interaction of pedestrians and vehicles would be considered to be at lower speeds.

The works were supposed to be delivered as part of s278. It does not appear that a technical approval under s278 works agreement has been submitted to HCC in order to discharge this condition. Until this happens the Highway Authority raises an objection to the discharge of this condition.

**Signed**

Ania Jakacka

18 June 2020