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For attention of Ms Miszewska

Dear Sirs

Re: APP/24/01022 At Land adjacent 1 Brookfield Close, Havant, PO9 3BB

New water booster station and associated works.

Thank you for the consultation on the above application. The Highway Authority have reviewed the submitted information and have the following comments to make.

The proposed pumping station is located on land between Stockheath Lane and Brookfield Close which is subject to highway rights. The tree survey and OS base map is out of date on which the drawings are based and there is an additional highway tree impacted by the works. The Highway Authority assume that the development is proposed on highway land as a result of permitted development rights by a statutory undertaker, however this should be confirmed by the applicant.

Notwithstanding this the proposed access arrangements for the pumping station are considered to be inappropriate due the reliance on the use of Brookfield Close for all vehicle movements. The use of Brookfield Close for construction movements and required HGV access during the operational stage is not considered to be appropriate. Tracking of these vehicles has been undertaken on an assumption that Brookfield Close is free from parked vehicles. It is evident from street view images dating back to 2009 that the road is subject to on carriageway parking which would prevent such turning movements occurring. Notwithstanding this parking presence the tracking shows the overrun of the grass verge areas and established hedgerows in order to complete the movement which is not acceptable. Controls to manage on street parking such as the introduction of parking restrictions would not be

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supported by the Highway Authority as it is likely these would need to extent for the full length of Brookfield Close and are therefore unlikely to be successful through the TRO legal process.

The servicing area to be provided is reliant on what appears to be an extensive bollard arrangement which would be sat within land subject to highway rights. The design and access statement refers to 4 removeable bollards but this is not reflected on the drawings. The Highway Authority would not support such a management arrangement to keep the area clear and available due to the maintenance liability associated with such features on the highway. A TRO would be required to prevent generally parking in the area however, this would only be able to keep the space free for loading and unloading by all goods vehicles.

The tracking of the Brookfield Close/Trosnant Road junction is also inappropriate for larger vehicles. The movement hasn't been shown for travelling into the site from the south, only from the north and a vehicle has also not been shown exiting Brookfield Close. These additional tracking movements should be provided for consideration.

It would appear more appropriate for the pumping station to be accessed via Stockheath Lane avoiding the constrained geometry of Trosnant Road and Brookfield Close. Reference is made within the design and access statement to this being considered however and dismissed due to it being higher risk. No details of this assessment have been shared with the Highway Authority nor any previous design considerations. Reference is made to pre-application advice from Havant Borough Council and discussions around the access strategy however no advice was sought from the Highway Authority by the applicant through the Highway Authority's pre-applications service as advised.

The Highway Authority based on the information provided do not support the proposed development due to concerns of highway safety relating to the access arrangements. Should the Planning Authority be minded to determine the application please contact me for our formal recommendation.

Yours faithfully,

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