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Dear Holly,

Re: Bedhampton Pumping Station (PS) – Public Right of Way (PRoW)

Following on from your recent meeting held on 13 Feb 2025, with the Havant Thicket Reservoir Pipeline project team in relation to the Havant 34 ProW as shown below (redline section), I am writing to confirm Portsmouth Water's agreement to work with your colleagues at the Countryside Services, to review any potential opportunities to link sustainable travel connections between Bidbury (Bedhampton) and Havant Town, to avoid the need to navigate the West Street Level crossing.

Portsmouth Water will work collaboratively with your Countryside Services team and seek potential opportunities to bring forward land within our control to enable the onward development of the connection (to be widened to 3m where possible with additional cycle rights if necessary), as well as delivering the works shown within the current submission drawings (3m wide route along the diversion including the bridge), and to not prevent such dedication through physical works/future planting etc, or seek financial compensation for the request.

It was mutually agreed that due to the time constraints of the planning approval process, it would be unreasonable to hold the pipeline planning application on a dedication requirement, if an alternative option exists to progress the matter.

Portsmouth Water confirm that Mark Tierney will be point of contact after planning approval for your Countryside Services colleagues to progress the additional dedication.

Portsmouth Water now seek formal confirmation from Hampshire County Council, that the above confirms formal agreement with yourselves to remove your objections in relation to the Bedhampton PS PRoW.

Yours sincerely,

Ruari Maybank
Havant Thicket Reservoir Project Director, Portsmouth Water.

