

Consultee Comments for Planning Application APP/24/01010

Application Summary

Application Number: APP/24/01010

Address: Interbridges Site, New Brighton Road, Emsworth

Proposal: Proposed employment development, with associated access, parking, yards and landscaping
Classes B2 (General Industry), B8 (storage & distribution) and Class Ec-g.

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Comments

The Emsworth Neighbourhood Plan has a policy objective of increasing the connectivity for active travel and making cycle routes safer. This application as it stands makes cycling less attractive as a means of transport on an important route, making it less safe, not safer. For pedestrians the crossing of New Brighton Road is hazardous, especially at peak times when pedestrians have to cross the road to access Emsworth Station. The surveys submitted with this application suggest that the development will have no impact on either cyclists or pedestrians, which as the highway Authority has attested is simply not the case.

The inclusion of a light controlled system with separate signal phase for cyclists and for pedestrians would not only reduce risks for both classes of users but would make a positive contribution to achieving the objectives of the Neighbourhood Plan, especially the primary objectives to a) create a robust yet flexible network of streets and spaces suitable for all modes of travel and b) reconnect parts of the community that are currently divided and fragmented through the presence of major road infrastructure. As it stands this application reduces the possibility of achieving these objectives of the neighbourhood plan.