

Good Afternoon David,

Thank you for your email with the consultation response from Hampshire Highways.

- We have amended the location of the traffic light and PIR sensor so that these are not in the way of manoeuvring vehicles. This includes the addition of a 'stop line', which is where the PIR beam will be located so that a car waiting at this point will trigger the traffic light to change. It is also noted that any vehicles manoeuvring in this turn area will be preparing to leave the site anyway, so if they do trip the sensor then this is not an issue as they will be en-route to exit through the tunnel. We have also removed the space which was allocated to No.70. Combined, we hope this alleviates the concerns raised within the Highways consultation response.
- Bins: the existing arrangement for No's 70, 72, 72A, and the five flats at 74-76 West Street are to take their bins to the roadside and the wheelie bins are on the pavement for a short while until collection has been completed. Therefore, we do not see it being an issue for the same arrangement to be proposed, as this is in fact the arrangement for the majority of the Borough. It is very conventional for bins to be situated on the pavement on collection day. We trust you would agree with this. If you foresee this being an issue, we can arrange for a private collection company (such as Biffa) to collect the refuse communally on site.
- It is our understanding that Mr Dudley acknowledges the maintenance of the lights would be completed by the management company, so we do not think this is a matter which needs to be addressed.

With the above, we trust that this no longer requires Unit A and B to be moved back. We do, however, believe that the benefit of the 7th parking space should outweigh any concerns by Highways, as parking is so highly sought after in that area. Yes, one vehicle would need to reverse the length of the site, but in reality this is only a distance of around 13m which is not significant. We have consulted with Nick Culhane (Highways Consultant) regarding this, who has noted that this reversing distance is not a highways safety issue and more of an inconvenience. It would be even more of an inconvenience if the occupier had to find and pay for parking elsewhere within the town centre, especially given the pending demolition of Bulbeck car park, and other Borough car parks being limited to 4 hours maximum. At this stage, we have proposed that the 7th parking space is removed to overcome the holding objection and progress with the application, but we strongly feel this should be acceptable if you're able to work with Mr Dudley to find a way forwards with this.

The Applicant is very keen to see progress with this as soon as possible, so if there is anything additional you need from us at this stage, please get in touch as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,

Jennie