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Dear Madam,

2A Seagull Lane, Emsworth, PO10 7QH

Application for change of use from Class B2 (General Industrial) to D2 (Assembly & Leisure) and erection of new building to serve primarily as a boxing gym.

Thank you for re-consultation on the above planning application.

Further to the Highway Authority's previous response, the applicant has undertaken a parking survey of the surrounding road network to investigate whether there is any spare parking capacity in the area. The survey demonstrates that there is limited spare capacity along Sultan Road, Victoria Road, North Street and St James' Road. A parking survey has also been undertaken at the Palmers Road car park which notes that the parking occupancy rates sits between 31% - 65% over the observed periods. Palmers Road car park is a 5 minute walk from the site and therefore represents a viable alternative parking location.

It is noted that the surrounding residential streets are subject to parking restrictions which would discourage and prevent any users of the gym from utilising these spaces for an extended period of time. Nonetheless, the applicant should make clear to users of the gym where the nearest car parks are located to the site to avoid illegal usage of these parking spaces.

The latest site plan details one available parking space available on-site for staff. In

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their capacity as the local parking authority, Havant Borough Council should determine whether the on-site parking provision is suitable in light of the alternative car parks available to the site.

Following the provision of the parking survey which confirms that there is spare parking capacity at Palmers Road car park to accommodate users of the gym, the Highway Authority raises no objection to the proposals.

Yours sincerely,

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