

PLANNING STATEMENT – WARBLINGTON NOTICEBOARD

The Warblington & Denvilles Residents' Association (WDRA) is seeking approval to erect a public noticeboard adjacent to the new footpath that runs along the northern edge of Warblington School playing fields and Southleigh Road in the proximity of the Warblington level crossing.

The proposed noticeboard is of the same design and colour as the Havant Borough Council (HBC) noticeboards positioned at Green Pond Corner by the traffic light junction at the south end of Southleigh Road, and in Snowberry Crescent opposite the Southern Co-Op store.

A noticeboard in this position would enhance communication to the local community as it is sited in a busy pedestrian area where pedestrians often have to loiter whilst waiting for the crossing gates to open. The WDRA has raised funds through its own auspices and through grants from Hampshire County Council (HCC) and PO9 Newspapers to purchase the noticeboard and would be responsible for its operation and maintenance.

The land is owned by HCC, being part of the Warblington School site, and approval has been sought through HCC Estates and Development Services to site the noticeboard in this area.

The management of the noticeboard would be undertaken by a nominated local resident who would ensure that only appropriate notices were displayed and that the appearance of the board was kept in order. The types of notice to be displayed will be strictly controlled and of good quality. Content will relate to information of interest to the local community (eg local events; public information from local authorities etc.).