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Dear Sirs,

Land opp 56 Bath Road, Emsworth, PO10 7ES

Erection of a 0.77 m high flood prevention wall running 13.2 m in length and incorporating a temporary flood barrier gate at the top of the beach access steps.

Thank you for the consultation on the above application.

The Highway Authority have reviewed the highway boundary and asset ownership for the area proposed for construction. Whilst the Highway Authority records at this time suggest that we do not have maintenance responsibility for, any details of its construction or own the wall it is clear that Bath Road makes up part of the adopted highway network. By default therefore the wall supports the highway and any changes to the loading of the structure would be a matter for concern to the Highway Authority, so as to ensure that the highway is not effected.

Whilst the Highway Authority are not able to comment on the effectiveness of the proposals or whether they are appropriate, any works undertaken which are reliant on areas of highway land (in that they are subject to highway rights) or land that supports the highway would be subject to technical design approval in order to protect the interest of the public.

The application as it stands provides insufficient details on the additional loading capabilities of the wall or the design details for the Highway Authority to comment on whether the proposal would be acceptable. It is also unclear whether the construction would require the use of areas of land subject to highway rights and the highway boundary should be clearly shown on any drawings.

Director of Hampshire 2050
Gary Westbrook

Summary

There is insufficient information to determine the impacts of the proposals on the Highway and additional details would be required before the Highway Authority could be satisfied that the proposal would be acceptable. If the Planning Authority are minded to determine the application in the absence of the additional structural information please do not hesitate to contact me for my formal recommendation.

Yours sincerely

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