

Planning Application APP/20/00990 Havant Thicket, adjacent to Sir George Staunton Country Park, Reservoir and Pipe Line, Middle Park Way, Havant

Dear Planning,

In terms of comments on this batch of conditions (4,5,6,9,10,11) I have the following comments.

The majority relate to Environment impacts of the initial phases of development. Regeneration Team has no comment on the environmental proposals other than ensuring that the sensitivities of this site are professionally managed to minimise citizen concerns and ensure that initial trust is built up for citizens in the impacts of this regionally important infrastructure project.

The only other comment I have is that the contact card in Appendix C might have included a QR code for easier citizen contact with the latest information rather than having to input a website detail manually. Interested people could then just scan the QR code to directly access the latest information.

In terms of Condition 29- Renewable energy strategy: It is interesting that the need for and viability of renewable energy production is limited due to the perceived occasional use of the water flows. The report seems to assume that the reservoir water is likely to only be needed during occasional droughts. Climate change and increasing demand, increased energy security concerns plus the potential of the Waste Water Recycling use of the reservoir in the future don't seem to feature. All these emerging challenges may well mean that the economic viability of increasing on site energy generation should be given more consideration.

I hope that these comments can be fed back to the applicants.

Regards

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