

Hello Lesley,

In follow up to the below revised consultation response from the Highways Authority with respect to the Public Rights of Way Network, Countryside Planning at Hampshire County Council.

We wish to reiterate our stance of **Objection** to application APP/21/00189, due to the impacts on Public footpath 108:30:

- Loss of visual quality and amenity from loss of green space next to the PROW, including loss of the site for public recreation (likely informal);
- Discouragement of use of the PROW for recreation;
- The PROW is a key pedestrian access route to the site, connecting to one of the few footbridges over the A27;
- Drainage works will have further detrimental impact on the current poor condition of the path – demonstrating a need for improvement to encourage use and reduction of private vehicle use.

It is our view that the proposed development is not in accordance with Policy CS20 Transport and Access Strategy of the HBC Local Plan (2011), in that it does not accord with point 5, it does not 'ensure that highway design responds positively to the characteristics of the area and delivers a high quality public realm for all users', as it lowers the quality of the public realm for PROW users and the green infrastructure surrounding the PROW.

Should the Local Planning Authority be of the mind to approve the application, please could we request the following condition and informatives are included – to ensure further harm is not caused to Footpath 108:30:

Condition:

X. the proposed drainage works through Public Footpath 108:30 shall only be commenced with prior agreement of Hampshire County Council as Highway Authority. The works shall be made good to a high standard that shall cause no adverse impact to the Public Right of Way. The works shall be carried out, and the Public Right of Way made good, to the satisfaction of the Area Countryside Access Manager, gained by onsite inspection.

Reason: to prevent damage to the Public Right of Way network in accordance with Policy CS20 Transport and Access Strategy of the HBC Local Plan (2011).

Informatives:

- i. Nothing connected with the development or its future use should have an adverse effect on the right of way, which must remain available for public use at all times.
- ii. Any damage caused to the surface of the Public Right of Way will be required to be restored to the satisfaction of the Area Countryside Access Manager on the completion of the build.
- iii. There must be no surface alterations to a public Right of Way without the consent of Hampshire County Council as Highway Authority. To carry out any such works without this permission would constitute an offence under s131 Highways Act 1980. This should be sought prior to any works on the Public Right of Way network, including Footpath 108:30.

Kind Regards,

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