

For the attention of: Mr L Oliver, of Havant Borough Council

Planning Application: APP/20/01221

Site: LAND TO THE WEST OF B&Q, PURBROOK WAY, HAVANT

Proposal: Erection of retail foodstore with associated car parking, access, landscaping and engineering works.

National Highways Ref: 14731

Dear Mr Olivier,

National Highways has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such Highways England works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

In the case of this development proposal, our interest is in the A3(M).

We have reviewed the available information supporting the proposal. It appears that new for consultation to National Highways is the Transport Assessment Addendum dated March 2021. The addendum was produced following comments made by Hampshire Highways, these are detailed and addressed in the addendum. In light of this review National Highways does not wish to alter the determination made in February 2021 of no objection as the development impact at the SRN is still considered to be non-detrimental. We would like to state that should further transport matters be provided in support of the planning application, National Highways should be consulted again in case this alters this decision.

Finally, it was noted in the review of the planning documents that National Highways (then Highways England) response in February 2021 was marked as a county response. It would be greatly appreciated in the future if responses from National Highways could be labelled as such to improve the efficiency of reviewing the history and documents attached to any planning application.

Kind Regards

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