

Consultee Comments for Planning Application APP/21/00989

Application Summary

Application Number: APP/21/00989

Address: Cabbagefield Row, opposite 123-133, Swanmore Road, Havant

Proposal: Outline planning application for the development of 150 dwellings (3-bed; 4-bed and 5-bed dwelling houses and 1-bed and 2-bed apartments) addressing layout, scale and access, including biodiversity enhancements and buffers and species-specific enhancements, SUDS and car parking (with appearance and landscaping matters reserved).

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Comments

The Ramblers Association main interest in the application is in the 'retained public open space' at the north of the site and its impact on the adjacent two bridleways. The bridleways (PRoW Havant120 & Havant121) run alongside the north and east boundary of the 'open space'. The application, whilst mentioning these two bridleways, does not show their exact location on the supplied plans. Neither does it make more than a passing reference to the changes about to be made with the construction of the Havant Thicket Reservoir. We would like further details in both these areas.

We would like assurance that these two bridleways will be suitably separated from the proposed open space, if necessary by extra planting, to preserve their rural nature as far as possible. We think this is important so that both access between the open space and the bridleways only occurs at 'approved' places, and so that the development is screened from the bridleways. Without planned access between the the open space and bridleways it is likely that the boundary will become excessively porous with multiple paths trodden between them.

The application shows and mentions a path from the north east of the open space to connect with the two bridleways but gives no details of the actual connection nor any thought of how this will change once the Havant Thicket Reservoir is built. In addition to this north east exit from the open space we think consideration should be given to the following two additional exits both of which would help prevent informal user trodden routes.

- 1) An exit to the north west of the open space for people wishing to travel to or from the west on bridleway Havant120.
- 2) Also an exit at the south east corner of the open space to allow more direct access to the

proposed new Reservoir site to the east.

Peter Westron.

For the SEHants group of the Ramblers Association.