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Highway Impact

The submitted TA demonstrates that the development will not cause serious cumulative harm to the highway network. However the Highway Agency have power of direction and they must be satisfied that there will be no affect on the A3(M) before permission can be given.

There are alteration to the junction of Bedhampton Hill road that will require a Section 278 Agreement.

Sustainability

I am still concerned about the sustainability of the site.

A requirement of this application will be the widening to 3m, of the existing footway on the North Side of Havant Road from the proposed development to the point of the dropped kerb access to the bustop on the South side of Havant Road.

The TA makes mention of the pedestrian/cycle crossing of the westbound slip and reasons that signals were not introduced on the slip because of the need for a queuing length on the slip which would have had the effect of locating the crossing point for the pedestrian/cyclist in a ridiculous place. However I am not aware of any investigation of other solutions involving the existing traffic light phasing with perhaps the introduction of a set of signal on the west side of Havant Road entrance to the roundabout. I would suggest that this proposal should be discussed with Hampshire's ITC department and the conclusions articulated in the report. I believe the Councillors and the public would expect a comprehensive investigation of all options before being comfortable that the existing crossing can not be made more convenient.

Internal Layout

Any complex suds proposal for this site could have an affect on the layout and I would suggest that this work is done before the layout is formalised.

The road layout is not standard and overlays will be required to ensure the fire, refuse and servicing vehicles and can easily turn within the proposed layout. Although not a planning matter the building regulation requirement of fire access to each property should be considered at this time.

A plan is required plotting the loci of the sight line distance around the entrance bend to indicate the design speed of the proposed highway.

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