

Landscape Architect Response

Application No. APP/13/00266

Development: Portsdown Hill Road – Havant Retail Park site

Case Officer: S Smith

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Observation/ Comments:

The landscape strategy plan is agreed subject to the following requested amendments:

1. Extra back garden trees to provide a more effective green backdrop to the housing eg in back gardens to plots 9,11, 17, 26,32 and 37.
2. The current layout shows a lot of access road serving relatively few parking bays along the western boundary. Additional open space and planting would help to break up the long expanse of bitmac road/parking bays between the long block of flats and the motorway. I recommend extending the planting eastwards opposite block 62-71 to provide a useable green area to divide the large expanse of tarmac into 2 separate areas and act as an effective visual break.

The Havant Landscape Character Assessment can be found at

<http://www-old.havant.gov.uk/havant-7364>

See the Hampshire Landscape checklist :

<http://www.hiow.gov.uk/offnet/hlg/47340%20Oce%20Checklist.pdf>