

To whom it may concern

In response to the Drop off and Pick up Management Plan from Paul Balsham Associates.

As far as I can determine from the recent amendments to the planning proposal, the plan is still a hazard to those using the Shipwright Way. This proposed access route for drop off is still an unsolved problem for walkers, commuters by bicycle, taxis, staff parking, and those using the Spring during the daytime. It is a public right of way and should not be blocked.

One change which has come to my attention, since my previous correspondence, is that the school crossing person, [REDACTED] retired in July 2024. There is no planned replacement for his role. Neighbours and people in the area are not aware of any pending replacement. He was responsible for stopping traffic flow directly outside of The Spring, allowing for school children and parents to safely cross the main road. The road is busy and dangerous. He was crucial in helping pupils from various local schools; Fairfield, Bosmere, Warblington and a local nursery. My neighbour is concerned about her child crossing the road, [REDACTED] The nearest 'safe' crossing is a pedestrian crossing at the junction of East, West, North and South Street. This particular crossing is very dangerous, as it is on a blind corner, and with more children crossing the main road without a supervising representative, an accident is increasingly likely.

Local parents have informed me that there is a scheme called Park & Stride, which has been organised via the council, for parents of pupils to park for twenty minutes in local car parks, whilst walking their child to school. The Town End House car park, adjacent to McCormack House, is part of this scheme. Occasionally, a parent might be given a parking ticket but this is usually cancelled when the Head Teacher of the school which the pupil attends, gives a letter addressed to the council and the fine is void. Other car parks which are part of this scheme include: Waitrose, Tesco and Bulbeck (which is due to be demolished 09/09/24). This is a helpful scheme and would be jeopardized by the proposed change in use.

The Council run, Town End House car park, has been (as far as I am aware) a safe space in the daytime, where pupils are known to run on ahead to their family's car, thinking they are within the relative safety of the Billy Line path. A neighbour informs me that everyday a couple of families cycle from Langstone to St Albans school in Leigh Park which KS 1 children. The area where the taxis are lined up on the drawing, and in the turning area at the south end of the car park, will become a blockage. We know that this is a cycle route for many cyclists commuting to Havant train station and also to the Langstone Technology Park, so far things have worked but with 70 senior pupils arriving by taxi, at busy times, this will put an extra strain on this area and an accident waiting to happen.

The entrance to the car park, from East Street, is narrow and only just wide enough for two cars to pass. This entrance cuts across a busy pavement, the entrance curves around to the left, and includes a cycle lane sign and a pedestrians in roadway sign. Traffic already needs to enter with caution and keep to their respective sides of the road. Any hesitation or encroaching on the other lane, will result in stoppages which will build up and cause congestion on East Street. Further down the car park, where the turning area is owned by

McCormack House, the lanes they will be using to drop off and collect, are not lanes owned by them and as such, should not be obstructed.

In the document DPMP, the phrase which keeps occurring is 'once the school is operational', this isn't acceptable. It doesn't take much to envisage the daily chaos of all the extra vehicles needed for seventy teenagers (11-18 years olds), thirty full-time members of staff and ten part-time members of staff all converging in this area.

Please accept this letter as evidence of my disapproval for the change of use of McCormack House.

