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Dear Ms Wells,

Application No: APP/22/00669

Address: Land at Kingscroft Farm, Adj to Ridgeway and Marples Way, Havant

Description: *Outline planning application with all matters reserved (except for access) for the development of up to 120 residential dwellings (C3 Use), with access from Meyrick Road, the provision of open space, landscaping and other associated works including demolition of existing buildings on site.*

As mentioned in my previous response I am seeking a contribution towards the update of the school travel plans for the three catchment schools for this development. The development site falls into the catchment area for Fairfield Infant School and Bosmere Junior School to serve the primary age pupils. The development site is served by Warblington Secondary School for pupils age 11-16.

Where any development has the potential to generate new/additional school journeys, there will be an impact on the highway and the local environment for both the development and the local schools, if the chosen mode of travel by families is the car. Whilst the development may provide adequate infrastructure to promote non-car modes of travel, it is likely that for various reasons, many families will opt for the car, especially where there is little or no engagement, promotion, education and enforcement of the travel plan.

Two of Hampshire's key policies, (one of which is emerging) provides a strong vision for Hampshire around its aspiration for travel and transport within the County, and therefore new development must endeavour to support this; It is also supported by the vision of the emerging -

Local Transport Plan 4: "A carbon neutral, resilient and inclusive transport system designed around people, which: supports health, wellbeing and quality of life for all; supports a connected economy and creates successful

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and prosperous places; and respects and seeks to enhance Hampshire's unique environment",

- Hampshire's Health Weights Strategy 2022 -2026 "See a Hampshire that actively encourages, promotes, and supports all residents to achieve a healthier weight. We can only achieve this vision with active collaboration, cooperation, and responsibility from all organisations and groups in Hampshire. This is the foundation of a whole systems approach that we seek to embed"

In order to mitigate the impact from development and promote active travel, School Travel Plans (STPs) should be produced for the local schools serving the development. This should include annual monitoring (through Modeshift STARS accreditation) to ensure that the principles are embedded for the families occupying the new properties. So that the STP can be a meaningful and a useful document for the schools, its community and the development, and be delivered, a small resources budget is required for measures such as road safety training (e.g. Balanceability training) and travel to school maps to assist those traveling to the local schools from the development.

Contributions are required prior to the first occupation of a new dwelling. The total contribution requested is **£53,000**. That is made up of the following:

- One infant STP at £7,000
- One junior STP at £7,000
- Secondary STP at £10,000
- Monitoring fees at £9,000 (i.e. every year after the travel plan was written for each school until the first tranche of children have gone through the school)
- Resources at £20,000 (£5,000 each for infant and junior schools, £10,000 for secondary).

In summary, the contributions detailed above are necessary to address suitability issues at schools in whose catchment area this development is situated and encourage families to utilise active travel methods for the school journey. The contributions are directly related to the development. The level of contribution being sought is based on the number of children expected to be living on the development and the expected impact as detailed and therefore is fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development. This information is supported by the County Council's 'Planning for School Places Guidance Document' which sets out the methodology for assessing the impact of development on education infrastructure.

If you have any queries concerning the above, or wish to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at francesca.godden@hants.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully,



Francesca Godden
On behalf of the Director of Children's Services