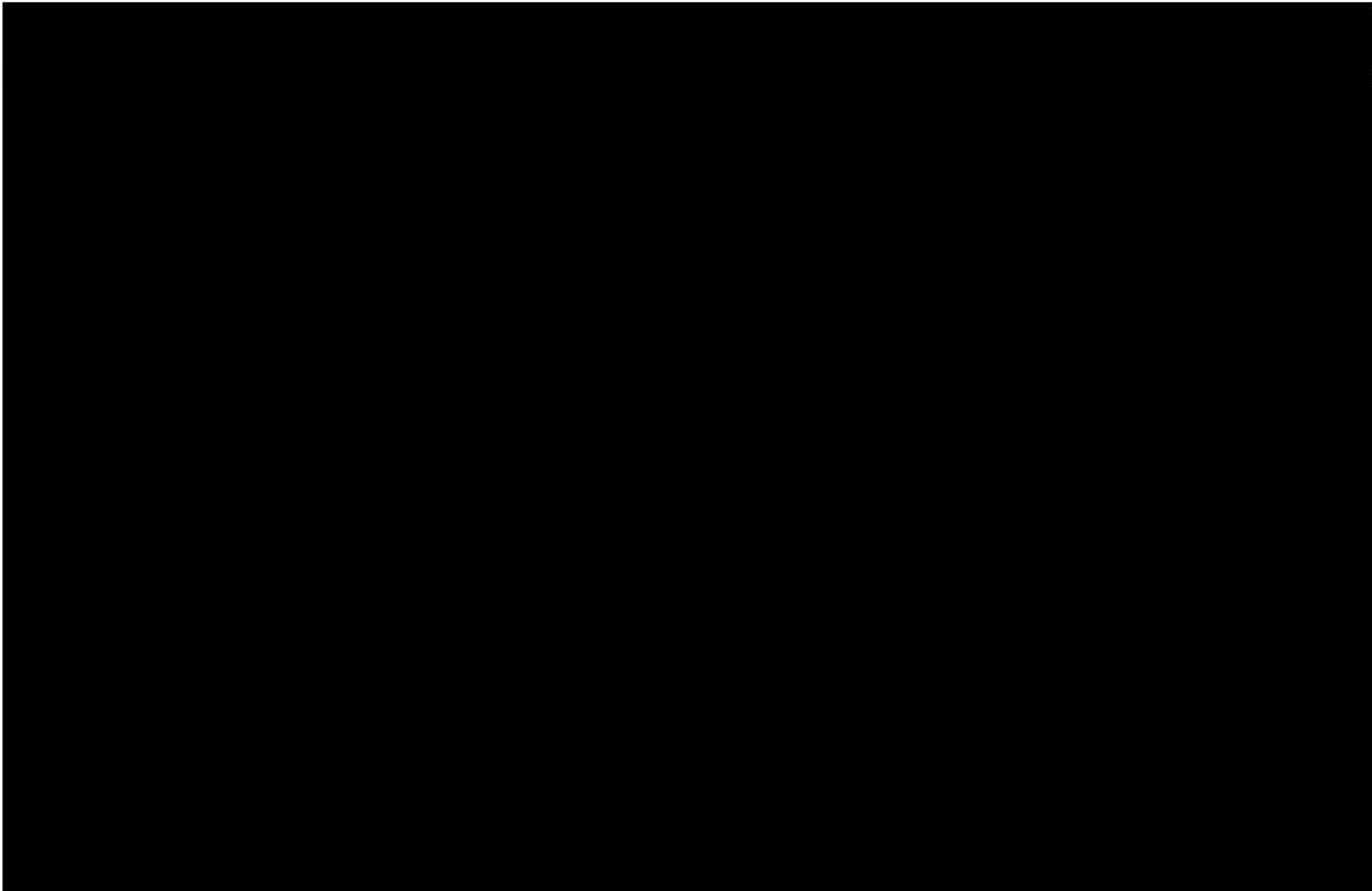




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From: Gary [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 January 2016 05:40
To: Heather Lealan; Brendan Flynn
Cc: Gary Tester; Stephen Southgate; John Broomhead; Virginia Selby; John Perry
Subject: APP/15/01353

Heather/Brendan,

We write in respect of the above retrospective planning application. By way of background two previous applications, prior to the installation of the Sales Parking area in breach of the formal planning permission, were declined.

When residents noted that the Sales Parking area had in any event been installed in July 2015 (regrettably the residents group were Not advised in advance) we, along with the local councillor, were assured it was a temporary measure. Bellway management stated that when Shute Close was opened the unauthorised Sales Parking area would be landscaped as per the approved landscape plan and in line with the agreed ecological needs. Regrettably Bellway did not keep to this agreement and elected to submit a retrospective application.

Comments on the specific application as submitted follow but please bear in mind the above background. The application does not state anywhere why the Sales Parking area is needed. The approved plans show the driveways of the Sales homes being used for customer parking - Shute Close can be used for Sales staff parking which is what is happening now.

- why does the application state the parking area is required for two years? We have been assured that the development will be completed by end 2016. The longer it remains the less chance there is for the wildlife habitat to reestablish.
- application form - under the Vehicle Parking section 10 all values are zero - the application is for three spaces and we hope, if approved, only cars would be permitted to use the spaces.
- application form - section 20 no start or finish times are shown - surely this should be completed to state the opening hours of the Sales Office?

- on the plan Halyards Sales Temporary Parking Bay Layout - it should refer to land off Hawthorne Grove, it is not off Beech Grove (Beech Grove is also spelt incorrectly). The legend does not state what the red dots relate to shown adjacent to the entrance road 1. Please can we be advised what these are for?

It is not believed that the Hampshire ecologist has not visited the site and Richard Nash did ask that a specific visit be made so that the thinness of the hedge in the vicinity can be seen.

Given the past failures to adhere to the approved planning requirements what assurance do the residents have that this parking area will be landscaped as required and will NOT become a permanent parking area?

Existing residents have no concerns about potential customers parking on the existing highway network. What has been an ongoing problem is the failure by Bellway management to adhere to, and enforce the commitments given in their Construction Management Plan to ensure that their contractors DO NOT park all day on the highway outside of the development and obstruct access to existing residents properties.

As a Sales Parking area in this vicinity has been requested twice and not been approved and nothing has changed, we would ask please that this application be declined and the area landscaped for the wildlife ASAP as per the original planning approval. So many trees and hedging have been removed from the site in building this development and the sooner some compensating planting is in place, and allowed to establish to provide much needed habitat for wildlife the better.

Yours faithfully

Gary and Liz Tester
Sent from my iPad