

For the attention of: Lesley Wells, Havant Borough Council

Site: Land west of, Hulbert Road, Havant PO9 3TB

Proposal: Reserved matters application for 100 dwellings and improved site access, landscaping, footpaths, SuDS and other associated works. Matters relating to appearance, landscaping, layout and scale to be considered. The outline application was not an environmental impact assessment application.

Application Number: APP/25/00573

Our Reference: NH/25/12208

Dear Lesley,

I refer to your initial letter dated 24 July 2025, consulting us on the above reserve matters planning application and our holding response dated 8 August 2025 and 7 November 2025.

National Highways has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such National Highways works to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

In case of this development proposal, our interest is in the A3(M).

We provided formal response on to the Outline planning application ref: APP/20/00441 on 27 July 2021 and we recommended two conditions, for geotechnical matters and the drainage. In our holding recommendations to date we requested geotechnical information and the drainage information.

Having had the opportunity to discuss our holding responses to date with the applicant's planning consultant (BJC planning) and having regard for the wording of the Cond. 13 and Cond. 14 in the final decision notice for the planning app ref: APP/20/00441, we note that wording stipulates submission of information prior to construction and in consultation with and requiring certification National Highways (previously Highways England).

You have also confirmed in your e-mails dated 13 November and 18 November 2025 and that Cond. 13 and 14 are not part of this reserve matter applications and hence why no information has been submitted.

In a view of this we are satisfied that it is unlikely that reserved matters would impact safety, reliability and / or operation of the SRN/A3(M), (based on the tests set out in DfT Circular 01/2022 and DLUHC NPPF 2023) and we therefore have 'No Objections'.

However, for the avoidance of doubt, we would like to remind applicant that details in relation to Cond. 13 (Noise bund) and Cond. 14 (Surface water drainage) need to be submitted to the Havant Borough council (in consultation with National Highways) prior to these conditions being discharged.

Regards

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