

Approval of Appendix G by Hook Parish Council

The Parish Councils are clear in their objection to the application but make the following points without prejudice to that position in order to ensure the decision maker secures any necessary mitigation for the development in the event that it is considered the application should be allowed.

1. The developer has proposed a contribution to secure a new crossing of the River Whitewater to connect Bassetts Mead SANG with the proposed new SANG. Hook Parish Council expects this to be a requirement and as an impacted landowner seeks involvement in negotiations on this issue.
2. Play provision across the development must be required and phased by conditions to ensure adequate and timely provision. Any potential increase in use of play equipment in adjacent areas, even temporarily during build out phases, will need to be mitigated potentially through s106 contributions. The Dave Deadman play area in Holt Park is a LEAP and is likely to be the nearest play area (accessible over the proposed bridge at the SANG). The surface of this play area would have to be improved to accommodate extra use as recorded in the Hook Parish Council Infrastructure Requirement Plan (IRP) at OS8. Subject to more detailed assessment of the play provision and phasing alongside housing delivery, a contribution may be sought.
3. The Skate Park, tennis courts and playing fields at Hartletts Park will likely be an attraction to residents of the new development. This is particularly the case in the early phases and when/if children from the development join local schools which are co-located with these leisure facilities, before or in the absence of a suitable school in the development. A contribution toward additional use and inclusion of new accessible play facilities is sought. There is a lack of accessible play across Hook Parish, and this is recorded in the IRP at OS1, OS2. In addition, the tennis courts and playing pitches all need replacement fencing. This is recorded at OS13 and OS18. It should also be noted that the access to the proposed sports pitches and facilities in the development is not direct for new residents which may make Hook Parish Council's facilities more accessible and attractive.
4. To accommodate and encourage active travel options (from day 1), it is important to have attractive and safe connections particularly to local facilities such as schools, shops, doctors and public transport. New footways and cycleways to Hook are likely to be required as well as improvements to existing routes through Hook village to reach key facilities. Areas of apparent deficient provision are recorded in the IRP in the Highways section from HW1 to HW18. Contributions should be sought to secure these connections and improvements and phased accordingly. This is in addition to those acute areas of concern raised by the Traffic Report.
5. A new bus service (subsidised as necessary for the build-out phase) through Hook centre, along the A30 to connect to Hartley Wintney should be an essential

requirement of the development. This must include services at times that will support school travel from the new development to existing schools. Currently there is no Community Transport Provision within Hook Village and the only Scheduled Public Bus Service solely caters for longer distance travel to Basingstoke, Alton and Bordon. There is no service along the A30 or connection to Hartley Wintney, Fleet or Camberley. Given the doctors' surgery in Hook is shared with Hartley Wintney, this currently penalises residents that do not drive and limits appointment availability even further. The same is likely to be the case for residents in the new development. This is a known issue and is recorded in the IRP at PT1.

In addition, the following should be considered:

Future burial ground facilities may be needed for the new population. The church graveyard at St Johns in Hook has been closed for many years, and the village cemetery has limited capacity. The LPA may want to consider options for securing additional burial facilities for the future growth in the district.

It is recommended that the site is served with defibrillators as the development would be outside the critical 2-5 min window from those available within Hook.