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Subject: Liss Neighbourhood Plan - More information
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Robert

I sent your questions regarding the Liss NDP onto the Qualifying Body, to see if they had any further information. Unfortunately they do not have any formal response from the Highways Authority, however, they have extracted some information from their background paper which you can find at the end of this email.

In addition, I attach all the written information which has been prepared by SDNPA officers in relation to proposed allocations in Liss. This information is mainly drawn from the SDNPA Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment, specifically from our Landscape Officer. In addition to the comments made by SDNPA officers in the SHLAA our landscape officer also provided some comments on one site in Liss (Site 4 Eden Lodge) via email to myself, that is pasted below:

Site 4 Eden lodge

Access to this site is not known, the comment on the plan proposal is noted. The site is immediately adjacent to the main PROW which skirts the western edge of Liss and provides extensive views out to the Hangers (west) and the Downs to the south. Proposals to develop this site have been viewed with extreme caution owing to this relationship between the settlement and surrounding countryside. If development can be designed and laid out to maintain this relationship, with no impacts from access, vehicular movements or activity (suggest rear garden alignment to the path) then this site could be developed with care. Supported

I still haven't head back from Hampshire County Council. I have asked HCC to formally confirm they had no further comments in relation to highways matters. As soon as I receive this information I will pass it on.

I have copied a member of the Liss NDP group (Roger Hargreaves) into this email so they can see what I have sent to you in relation to landscape advise. If they have any further information they will pass this onto you directly.

If you require anything further please let me know

Kind regards
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Subject: Re: FW: Liss NDP (Examiners Questions)

Chris,

Thank you for this. Essentially, we are unable to offer any additional published material on the views of the Highways Authority. However, in case the examiner has missed it I give you an extract from the background paper on Infrastructure and Services which we published with the final plan:

"Traffic and Parking Provision

11. Hampshire County Council is the highway authority for Liss. They have not commented in detail on the proposals in the plan. At a meeting in October 2015 with the Traffic Management team of the Council general advice was given that developments of the size being considered were unlikely to need substantial works to access them, or to overload the road network, but some traffic calming measures might be considered.

12. Consultation with the community, however, has shown concerns about existing traffic problems, including speeding along Andlers Ash Road, down Hill Brow Road, Station Road and Farnham Road. The suitability of Hill Brow Road, Hatch Lane and Andlers Ash Road to have further development accessing them has also been raised. In the absence of specific advice from the highway authority no technical view of the road capacity and access has been taken. However, the Steering Group has noted concerns about the suitability of Hill Brow Road and Hatch Lane for accessing development, given their steep and winding nature, and the environmental impact of creating new accesses. For other roads the existing problems appear related to the lack of enforcement of speed limits and parking, and therefore the use of traffic calming measures could be considered in relation to new development accessing roads such as Andlers Ash and Farnham Road. More generally, congestion within the village centre, often associated with the level crossing (see below) is a concern."

At the meeting referred to in October 2015 we discussed the proposed sites insofar as they were known at that stage and the text above reflects the core of the advice received. However, the advice did not extend to sites we were not proposing, such as those accessed from Hill Brow Road and Hatch Lane. We have been expressly refused permission to publish the note of the meeting that we made, I think because this was generalised advice from the traffic management side of the Highways Authority and did not reflect any in depth study of the proposed sites, In particular, the advice did not cover the details of access to any of the sites, which were barely known at that stage and still need to be designed in association with planning applications.

It was a matter of regret to us that the Highway Authority felt unable to give advice when formally consulted on the pre-submission draft of the plan.

On landscape, I am sure you have all the material, particularly the note of December 2015 and subsequent comments on the Brows Farm site, but perhaps it would be wise to copy us in so that we can just check whether there is anything else that we seem to have.

Best wishes

Roger Hargreaves