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Matthew Lewis

Subject: National Highways Response (our ref 92365 #19808) RE: AL/107/21/PL - Woodgate Centre

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For attention of:	David Easton
Your Reference:	AL/107/21/PL
Site:	Woodgate Centre Oak Tree Lane Woodgate PO20 3GU
Proposal:	Demolition of the Woodgate Centre buildings (including 3 No. residential dwellings) & the construction of 180 No. residential dwellings with the creation of new vehicular access with footways and cycleways, ancillary road infrastructure, emergency access arrangements, associated parking, public open space, including children's play space, landscape planting, surface water attenuation & drainage & other associated infrastructure. This site is in Cil Zone H SP2, BEW Strategic Site and is not CIL Liable.
National Highways' Reference:	92365 #19822

Dear Mr Easton

Thank you for your email of 19 April 2023 consulting National Highways on latest position in connection with the application referenced above.

We have been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and are the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the strategic road network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such we work 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.

We will be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact on the safe and efficient operation of the SRN; in this case, particularly the A27 in the vicinity of this part of Arun District .

We originally made a recommendation dated 15 March 2022

https://www1.arun.gov.uk/PublicViewer/Authenticated/Main.aspx?user_key_1=AL/107/21/PL stating:

National Highways offers No Objection to this proposal on the basis that Arun District Council collects a proportionate contribution towards the A27 mitigation required to deliver the Arun Local Plan.

I can confirm that we have no reason at this time to object to the means of calculating the financial contribution towards SRN mitigation as set out in your email below, nor to the individual sums/total contribution stated.

Therefore, we remain content to rely on our 15 March 2022 recommendation.

It will be noted that the methodology and sums *per se* are currently being reviewed by the Council and NH. Therefore, they may change in the future and hence our agreement as set out above regarding the Woodgate Centre does not represent a permanent NH position or a precedent in perpetuity.

We have also received an email from Messrs Utting and Maltman from Pye Homes on this matter and have copied this response to them for their information.

I hope that this assists, but if any party have any queries regarding our response, please contact us via [REDACTED]

Regards

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From: David Easton <David.Easton@arun.gov.uk>
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Subject: AL/107/21/PL - Woodgate Centre

Dear Kevin,

I write in relation to planning application AL/107/21/PL at the Woodgate Centre, Aldingbourne. Arun District Council are proposing that in this case financial contributions towards the strategic highways network should be based upon the 4,300 dwellings identified through the endorsed masterplan with financial contributions of £124,283.72 being secured towards three junctions as opposed to the two originally identified. These contributions would be as follows;

- A27 Nyton Road - £13,688.37;
- A27 Fontwell West - £64,548.84; and
- A27 Fontwell East – £46,046.51.

I would be grateful for National Highways comments on the approach proposed by Arun District Council in this case.

Kind regards,

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