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Subject: FAO Mr D Easton: Highways England response - BE/37/19/PL - Land West of New Barn Lane

For the attention of: Mr D Easton

Site: Land West of New Barn Lane, Bersted, PO21 5DN.

Proposal: Erection of 99 No. dwellings together with landscaping, open space & associated works. Access to be taken from New Barn Lane.

Planning Application No: BE/37/19/PL

Tracker Number: 84159

Dear Mr Easton,

Thank you for your email dated 8th March 2019, inviting Highways England to comment on the above planning application.

Highways England 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, Highways England 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. We will therefore be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in this case the A27.

Having examined the above application, we note that it is for 99 dwellings on the same site where an outline application received planning permission for 90 dwellings (application reference BE/142/15/OUT), for which Highways England responded with no objection. We are aware that the latter application was an early application for housing in the area, and subsequently, a number of other applications have been submitted, at the end of which we suggested to the council that further development could have a cumulative impact on the A27 / A259 Bognor Road roundabout, which may need associated mitigation. Now that the Arun Local Plan has been adopted and the associated mitigation agreed for the A27 / A259 Bognor Road roundabout, which Arun District Council is contributing to, the council is advised that it may wish to consider requesting an appropriate contribution from this particular site. Otherwise, Highways England is satisfied that the

proposals will not materially affect the safety, reliability and / or operation of the SRN (the tests set out in DfT C2/13 para 10 and DCLG NPPF para 32) in this location and our formal HEPR response of No Objection is attached.

Should you have any queries regarding this response, please contact us at

Regards,
Sent on behalf of Elizabeth Cleaver, Assistant Spatial Planning Manager

Richard Franklin

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Developments Affecting Trunk Roads and Special Roads

Highways England Planning Response (HEPR 16-01)

Formal Recommendation to an Application for Planning Permission

From: Nicola Debnam (Regional Director, South East),
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CC: [REDACTED]

Council's Reference: BE/37/19/PL

Location: Land West of New Barn Lane, Bersted, PO21 5DN.

Proposal: Erection of 99 No. dwellings together with landscaping, open space & associated works. Access to be taken from New Barn Lane (alternative scheme to BE/29/19/PL).

Highways England Ref: 84159

Referring to the planning application referenced above (consultation received 12 March 2019), in the vicinity of the A27 (which forms part of the Strategic Road Network), notice is hereby given that Highways England's formal recommendation is that we:

a) offer no objection*

**on the basis that we are satisfied that the proposal will not materially affect the safety, reliability and/or operation of the strategic road network (the tests set out in DfT Circular 02/2013, particularly paragraphs 9 & 10, and DCLG NPPF particularly paragraph 109) in this location and its vicinity;*

~~b) recommend that conditions should be attached to any planning permission that may be granted (see Annex A – Highways England recommended Planning Conditions);~~

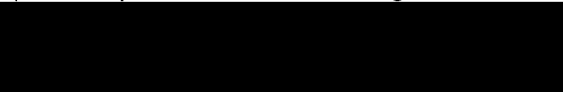
- ~~e) recommend that planning permission not be granted for a specified period (see Annex A – further assessment required);~~
- ~~d) recommend that the application be refused (see Annex A – Reasons for recommending Refusal).~~

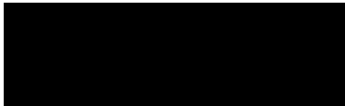
Highways Act Section 175B (covering new access to the SRN) is not relevant to this application.¹

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This represents Highways England’s formal recommendation (prepared by the Area 4 Spatial Planning Team) and is copied to the Department for Transport as per the terms of our Licence.

Should the Local Planning Authority disagree with this recommendation they must consult the Secretary of State for Transport, as per the Town and Country Planning (Development Affecting Trunk Roads) Direction 2018, via



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¹ Where relevant, further information will be provided within Annex A.