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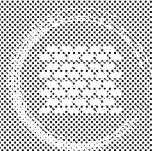
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Bognor golf club REFERENCE FP/274/21/OUT

As a Felpham Parish Councillor and County Councillor, I had the pleasure of meeting with Ian Myhill the WSCC Local Transport Improvements Project officer at a meeting at Felpham Community Hall in Feb. 2023. This was in regard to adjusting the Downview Lights system and the Drygrounds /St Marys crossing lights.

We talked in great depth about Active Transport England and hopefully will ease the burden of cycling in that area with the huge amount of school traffic coming from Downview School and Felpham Comprehensive.

The Green Infrastructure Master Plan funded by Arun DC encourages cycling as a recreation and has proposed routes from Felpham to Barnham and the downs so cycling must be given top priority.

- To encourage cycling/pedestrian use, WSCC has proposed single stage lights to facilitate greater cycling and walking at St Marys/ Drygrounds crossing and there will be a cycleway to Downview School. However, I feel this will negate traffic flow proposals 200 yards east by the developer's applicant to hold pedestrians/ cyclists at Islands in middle of the road at the Downview Road lights.
- Ian Myhill stated that *"The proposed two stage operation at Downview lights can be difficult for cyclists to navigate and timely, you'll also often find at dual crossings that pedestrians sometimes tend to walk the wrong side of the guard railing to take the shortest route rather than follow the staggered alignment, which results in them crossing against the red man. "*

- I also feel you should revisit the bunching of cyclists that will make Downview Road even more dangerous than it is, particularly for school children, as Downview School - which has 650 pupils is one of the largest in the UK. Cyclists will leave the Downview lights in groups, with traffic then following and inevitably trying to pass a group leading to danger and speeding.

In summing up: WSCC removed their objections to using Downview Road as a route to the proposed Golf Club development after the developer's proposal to change to two stage crossing. Please revisit this support of using Downview Road as an access route for all traffic to the Bognor Golf course proposed housing estate: (FP/274/21/OUT Proposed 500 houses Bognor Golf Course) In the light of new proposed single state lights 200 yards west of Downview crossing, and taking into account Ian Myhill's comments (*Italics*) about two stage operation at Downview lights, the two schemes need to be looked at as extra Downview Road traffic will negate both schemes.

Yours Sincerely
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