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Subject: National Highways response: F/19/21/PL, HM Ford Open Prison

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For the attention of: Anita Gardner

Planning Application No: F/19/21/PL

Site: H M Ford Open Prison, Ford Road, Ford, BN18 0BX

Proposal: The construction of two houseblocks (two storeys) for 120 prisoners, extension to existing car park (80 spaces), proposed storage facilities & ancillary office space within secure perimeter fence at HMP Ford Category D Prison. This application may affect the setting of a listed building & the site is in CIL Zone 2 (Zero Rated) as other development. This application is a departure from the Development Plan.

National Highways Ref: HAMIS 92967; Tracker #15129

Dear Mrs Gardner,

Thank you for your email of 18 October 2021 consulting National Highways (formerly known as Highways England) on the application referenced above and requesting a response by 11 November.

National Highways 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 National Highways 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 and policies that have the potential to impact the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in particular the A27.

We have reviewed the documents and are satisfied that the submitted development proposals will not materially affect the safety, reliability and / or operation of the SRN (the tests set out in DfT Circular 02/2013, particularly paragraphs 9 & 10 and MHCLG NPPF 2021 paragraphs 110-113).

Should your Council require a Construction Management Plan as part of any permission granted for this proposal, we would like the opportunity to comment on it. We would want a Construction Management Plan to state that construction traffic will seek to avoid using the SRN during the network peak hours of 08:00-09:00 and 17:00-18:00 and any loose loads on vehicles using the SRN will be adequately sheeted.

I attach our formal NHPR response of No Objection.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact us at

Kind regards

Elizabeth Cleaver, Assistant Spatial Planning Manager

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National Highways Planning Response (NHPR 21-09)
Formal Recommendation to an Application for Planning Permission

From: Nicola Bell (Regional Director, South East),
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National Highways
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To: Arun District Council FAO Anita Gardner
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CC: [REDACTED]

Council's Reference: F/19/21/PL

Location: H M Ford Open Prison, Ford Road, Ford, BN18 0BX

Proposal: The construction of two houseblocks (two storeys) for 120 prisoners, extension to existing car park (80 spaces), proposed storage facilities & ancillary office space within secure perimeter fence at HMP Ford Category D Prison. This application may affect the setting of a listed building & the site is in CIL Zone 2 (Zero Rated) as other development. This application is a departure from the Development Plan.

National Highways Ref: HAMIS 92967

Referring to the consultation on a planning application dated 18 October 2021 referenced above, in the vicinity of the A27 that forms part of the Strategic Road Network, notice is hereby given that National Highways' formal recommendation is that we:

- a) offer no objection (see reasons at Annex A);
- ~~b) recommend that conditions should be attached to any planning permission that may be granted (see Annex A – National Highways' recommended Planning Conditions & reasons);~~
- ~~c) recommend that planning permission not be granted for a specified period (see reasons at Annex A);~~
- ~~d) recommend that the application be refused (see reasons at Annex A)~~

National Highways Planning Response (NHPR 21-09) September 2021

Highways Act 1980 Section 175B is/is not relevant to this application.¹

This represents National Highways' formal recommendation and is copied to the Department for Transport as per the terms of our Licence.

Should the Local Planning Authority not propose to determine the application in accordance with this recommendation they are required to consult the Secretary of State for Transport, as set out in the Town and Country Planning (Development Affecting Trunk Roads) Direction 2018, via [REDACTED] and may not determine the application until the consultation process is complete.

Signature: [REDACTED]	Date: 5 November 2021
Name: Elizabeth Cleaver	Position: Assistant Spatial Planning Manager
National Highways: Bridge House, 1 Walnut Tree Close, Guildford, GU1 4LZ [REDACTED]	

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

Annex A **National Highways' assessment of the proposed development**

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Offer No Objection - Reasons

This is on the basis that the proposals will generate minimal additional traffic on the SRN in Peak Hours. We therefore consider that the development will not materially affect the safety, reliability and / or operation of the SRN (the tests set out in DfT Circular 02/2013, particularly paragraphs 9 & 10, and MHCLG NPPF 2021 paragraphs 110-113) in this location.

Should the Council require a Construction Management Plan as part of any permission granted for this proposal, we would like the opportunity to comment on it. We would want the Construction Management Plan to state that construction traffic will seek to avoid using the SRN during the network peak hours of 08:00-09:00 and 17:00-18:00 and that any loose loads on vehicles using the SRN will be adequately sheeted.

This application has been assessed by the National Highways South East Region Spatial Planning Team. This NHPR form represents National Highways' formal recommendation regarding the application. It is copied to the Department for Transport as per the terms of our Licence.