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Dear Sirs,

Planning consultation: Outline Application for the construction of the "Fitzalan Link Road" between the A259 Worthing Road & the East Street/Fitzalan Road roundabout - This application affects a Public Right of Way

Location: Fitzalan Link Road Littlehampton

Thank you for your consultation dated 03 August 2011, which was received by Natural England on 03 August 2011.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England has previously commented on this proposal and made comments to the authority in our letters dated 17 March 2011.

The comments we made centred around the impact of the proposal on access, biodiversity and landscape and provided advice on how the proposal could be altered to enhance the natural environment and peoples' enjoyment of it, in accordance with Government policy and guidance. The advice provided in our previous response applies equally to this amendment although we made no objection to the original proposal.

The proposed amendments to the original application relate largely to layout and access, and are unlikely to have significantly different impacts on the natural environment than the original proposal.

Should the proposal be amended in a way which significantly affects its impact on the natural environment then, in accordance with Section 4 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, Natural England should be consulted again.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Connell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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