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Please upload this as a letter of comment (I guess no objection with comment) from Mrs Julie Robinson, Chair - Arun District Bridleways Group.

Thanks

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Dear Simon

Many thanks for your response and guidance as to where to find various documents where certain information may be found.

I confirm my permission to upload my email onto the website as representation.

Kind regards

Julie Robinson

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Dear Mrs Robinson,

There is a plan showing connections on page 6 of the Design & Access Statement. Also, you should look at the July '20 Design Code which we approved on application Y/41/20/DOC, which sets parameters for the development of the site and which has a specific section on Access & Movements (see section 5.6 of that document).

We can consider your other points regarding bridleway access & equestrian provision if you can confirm that I can upload this email to our website as representation.

Kind Regards

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Dear Simon

Is there one overall site plan showing what are the proposals for the pathways through this site please? There are a multitude of plans, I could not see one that showed this with any clarity so you can get an overall view.

Surely Arun District are able to encourage the provision of multi-user bridleway paths to be provided through such a large site of overall 550 houses, which has access at both ends onto public highways? It is often the excuse not to because the site does not have control over all the area in order to be able to show a connection from highway to highway, but that is not the case with this site.

The site should at least be including provision for the route of the multi-user Canal Greenway project, which the Yapton Neighbourhood Plan Revision team have agreed should go from Church Road, over Main Road and then along the old Tack Lee Lane (today FP 157), then turning westwards through this site to continue along the canal route.

I would point out again, that this part of Arun has a large equestrian community with equestrians present on the fringes of most of the adjacent local villages. Drove Lane itself has 10+ equestrians. In such a rural area, with current lack of bridleway provision, it is surely unacceptable to be allowing developments to go ahead which could be improving the situation, but are not. The Government makes it clear that its Walking and Cycling Strategy, whilst called that, is very much directed at ALL vulnerable road users, and very much includes equestrians. To ignore your equestrian community whilst providing for cyclists shows a lack of inclusivity and discrimination, since 70% of cyclists are male (Cycling UK figures) whilst 85% of horse riders are female (British Equestrian Federation). Why are Arun encouraging a third tier of paths which excludes one very vulnerable user group, which very often includes children?

I wish to again also ask why any route to be provided through the new developments west of North End Road (mention given to landowner allowing "footpath" access across private lane at Stakers Farm) is not able to be multi-user, when this terminates on Maypole Lane, which has the only bridleway status level crossing in the area? Again, this shows a lack of attention to the provision of safe sustainable routes for purposes of work and leisure, and discrimination shown to local equestrians. I fail to see why the inclusion of equestrians "could not be justified" in your words when the route leads to a lane with a bridleway crossing and would enable vulnerable users to avoid the busy, narrow and dangerous North End Road? You may think this is just a short path with no meaning - but the point is, if you have no existing network, you have to build one! Even short stretches that are off main roads are therefore valuable and should not be discounted.

Yapton has a plethora of public footpaths - what is needed more are paths also open to equestrians and cyclists to provide a balance, and address the needs of the community as a whole. Can I please urge that developers are required to amend their plans to reflect this - or do so voluntarily, to better reflect the site's position in a rural village posing a gateway to the wider countryside.

Regards

Julie Robinson
Chair - Arun District Bridleways Group

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