

PLANNING COMMITTEE
UPDATE SHEET 07/03/2024

Correspondence received and matters arising following preparation of the agenda

Item

WA/2023/00087

FARNHAM PARK CEMETERY

HALE ROAD

FARNHAM

Amendments to the report

Please ignore the penultimate paragraph in the Transport and impact on highways section reading:

“Mention was also made of the provision of a 2.5m wide footpath through the site by SCC Highways. It is understood that the applicant has agreed to transfer a 2.5m wide strip of land along the southern boundary of land within their ownership to SCC / the Council to link Hale Road with Farnham Park. Although there would be no financial contributions due and the applicant will not be delivering the footpath, this would need to be the subject of a legal agreement.”

Responses from Consultees

SCC Highways have contacted the LPA to amend their position in light of their suggested condition (below) not being included:

"The development hereby approved shall not be first opened unless and until a footpath has been provided through the site in accordance with detailed to be submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority. This footpath shall be a minimum of 2.5 metres in width and shall thereafter be permanently retained and maintained for its designated purpose."

As with all 'no objection, subject to conditions' responses, they consider that the development is only acceptable in highways terms with all their suggested conditions included. In the absence of the above condition their position is to object to the development.

The LPA does not consider that the suggested condition is justified and does not meet all the tests in NPPF paragraph 56, which are as follows: necessary, relevant to planning and to the development to be permitted, enforceable, precise and reasonable in all other respects.

Revised Recommendation

The recommendation should read:

That planning permission be granted subject to suggested, amended or additional conditions.