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Date: 29 January 2020

Dear Mr Chipchase

Ref: North of Great Ashby, GA2 - Access Off Mendip Way

I confirm the additional details included in drawing E3257-700-G (Means of Access) addresses the issue raised in the safety audit, any outstanding issues may be picked up at a later stage.

For information the safety audit is attached.

Yours sincerely

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Mendip Way, Great Ashby Stevenage

Stage 1 Road Safety Audit Report

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This report results from a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit carried out for a proposal to provide a new access arrangement to a residential area, at the request of Andrew Chipchase (Wormald Burrows Partnership Limited), the Project Sponsor. The Audit was carried out during July 2019.
- 1.2. The Audit Team membership for this audit was:
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| Alan Lusted | Hertfordshire County Council |
| Audit Team Leader | Highways Safety Team |
| Robert Surridge | Hertfordshire County Council |
| Audit Team Member | Highways Safety Team |
- 1.3. The Road Safety Audit took place at the Hertford offices of Hertfordshire County Council. The audit was undertaken in accordance with the audit brief contained in the Request for Services submission provided by the developer's Design Team. The audit comprised of an examination of the documents produced by the Design Team, as listed in the Appendices of this report. These documents consisted of a set of drawings, which show the extent of the works to be carried out under the scheme. A visit to the site was made by the Audit Team on the morning of 30th July 2019. During the site visit the weather was changeable from sunshine to rain showers. Traffic flows were low.
- 1.4. The terms of reference for this Road Safety Audit are as described in GG119 (Volume 5, Section 2, Part 2 of The Design Manual for Roads and Bridges). The Audit Team has examined and reported only on the road safety implications to road users of the scheme as presented. The Audit Team has not examined or verified the highway layout described by the audit brief for this scheme for compliance with any other standards or criteria.
- 1.5. All safety comments and recommendations are referenced to the drawing information in the appendices of this report.
- 1.6. The scheme comprises of the following elements:
- Two roundabouts and associated link road between.
 - Road markings
 - Footway cycleway
 - Informal crossing facilities

1.7. Insufficient information has been provided for the following elements of the scheme.

- Street lighting
- Signage
- Traffic islands

These elements are therefore outside the scope of this audit.

2. Items Raised at a Previous Stage 1 Road Safety Audit

2.1 A Stage 1 Road Safety Audit was carried out for this scheme during 2014/15. The scheme details have been significantly amended since this report was issued. A Stage 1 Road Safety Audit of the revised proposals has, therefore, been requested.

3. Items Raised at this Stage 1 Road Safety Audit

3.1. **General**

3.2. **Problem**

Location: General

Summary: Lack of appropriate warning may increase the risk of collisions between cyclists and pedestrians.

It is unclear, from the drawings supplied as part of the audit brief, how the footway/cycleway will integrate with the existing infrastructure.

There is no guidance for pedestrians entering a shared use cycleway, that cyclists could be present. This may increase the likelihood of collisions between cyclists and pedestrians.

Recommendation

The Audit Team recommends that the start and end of the cycleway should be clearly identified with appropriate signage and tactile paving.

-----End of the 'Safety Comments' section -----

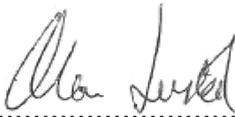
4. Audit Team Statement

We certify that this audit has been carried out in accordance with GG119.

Audit Team Leader

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Dated 07/08/2019

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Dated 07/08/2019

Appendix I

Documents included in Audit Brief

Drawing Title	Drawing No.
Means of access layout	E3257/700/E
Means of access layout	E3257/700/D

Other Documents

1. Stage 1 Road Safety Audit (DC7/586/2014)

