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**Subject:** RE: Land South of the Hill, Littlebourne (CA/23/00484)  
**Attachments:** ITM16283-GA-022B.pdf

Fiona

Thank you again for sending through your comments and we are happy to hear that you are now content with the highway assessment work submitted.

We have reviewed the comments made by your PRow colleagues and having discussed the matter with Gladman. We can confirm that they will be happy to accept the requested contribution towards improvements to the existing PRow through the application process. This is similarly the case regarding Network Rail's requested contribution to provide cycle parking at Bekesbourne station, with Gladman happy to accept the requested contribution through the application process.

With regard to your comments on the proposed puffin crossing, we have prepared an amended scheme which relocates the crossing c.6-7m east of where it was previously positioned. The amended scheme is shown in ITM16283-022 Rev B, attached. The amended scheme intends to maximise the distance achievable between the existing driveways on either side of the crossing, as noted in your comments. This amended location represents more than a full car length between either of the two driveways and the stoplines, giving space for a vehicle to turn out of the driveway and wait at the stopline.

The amended drawing also shows the visibility splays to the primary signal heads, shown at 43m for a forward visibility based on the existing 30mph speed limit. The drawing shows that the 43m forward visibility splays can comfortably be achieved on the approach to the crossing from both directions, and indeed the visibility to the crossing / signal heads will be much greater than this in practice.

We note that your colleagues have raised a concern regarding the existing build out opposite the site access. The retention of the build out has been consistently included in the site access arrangement, and as we have discussed previously, the Auditors of the Stage 1 RSA of the proposed site access noted that retaining the build out would be preferable as it would help to platoon vehicles along The Hill. We're not clear on what the specific concern is relating to the existing build out at the access, and how this relates to the crossing?

We also note the comments regarding the lack of appropriate street lighting near the crossing. The proposed amended crossing location is located c.6m west of existing street lighting, which is located between the proposed crossing and the existing driveway to the east of the crossing (to the north of the carriageway). There is also street lighting located on the approach to the signal crossing from both directions with lighting west of the new The Hill site access and between houses No. 18 and 20 to the east. There is therefore existing street lighting along the route and therefore we assume that the adequacy of the current streetlighting provision related to the pedestrian crossing and proposed site access can be considered further during the detailed design / S278 stage.

We think it would be beneficial to arrange a follow up meeting to discuss the above points and hopefully agree the details of the proposed crossing. Could you therefore please advise when you (and your colleagues, as necessary) would be available w/c 23rd October?

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards

Jon



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Hello Jon,

I have now had chance to review your Technical Note and I am content to accept the traffic data submitted.

Public Rights of Way – a response from the PROW team was uploaded on the 24<sup>th</sup> August (KCC Public Highway) to your application on the planning portal, this states the contributions they are requesting. You would need to liaise with them if you have any further comments on this.

#### Puffin Crossing

I sent the attached drawing (our preferred option) to both our Network Solutions team and Street Lighting team. They have both come back with a number of concerns including:

- The buildout opposite the entrance
- Lack of visibility to the primary signal head
- Existing driveway too close to the crossing
- Lack of appropriate street lighting - the crossing point needs to be illuminated in line with the ILP TR12 guidance and the lighting will need to extend either side of the crossing to the '5 second rule' which for a 30 mph road is 67 metres on either approach

In addition the current lighting that is in place belongs to CCC – it may be that these have to be moved/removed to ensure that the proposed lighting is KCC compliant, and we would need to seek their permission.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Kind regards

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Fiona

Please find attached our Technical Note response (i-Transport ref.: ITM16283-011 TN), to your comments dated 16<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

The attached Technical Note covers:

- The proposed A257 site access
- Sustainability of the site
- Clarification on committed development traffic flows
- Clarification on proposed development traffic flows

The Technical Note includes reference to two points which raise contributions:

- Section 3.1 – Contribution to nearby PRowS
- Section 5.1 – Contribution to Local Infrastructure Plan schemes

Please can you provide details, including schedule of works and associated costs, in relation to these proposed contributions.

It also notes that discussions are ongoing with KCC regarding the location and arrangement of the puffin crossing A257 (which are set out in our email issued 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023).

We trust you will find the attached satisfactory. If there are any queries please let us know, we would be happy to have a meeting with you to discuss.

Regards

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