Dear Mr Osmond,

The current planning application has recorded a formal response from the Head of Transportation and Engineering dated 24 April 2012, reference E/DC/01/D, with a Transportation and Engineering reference 5374.

The following except raises a number of issues and on behalf of my Client I have been asked to bring the attention of the Council to the following matters:

CONSULTATION RESPONSES

DC Engineer:	Eric Reed
DC Engineer Comments:	With a use such as this, if parking is occupied in the car park I can imagine as there are no waiting restrictions on Bournemouth Road at this point that some carers may partially park off the carriageway on the footway when picking up/ dropping off children. Previously along Bournemouth Road at other sites bollards have been proposed to stop parking on footway/verge areas and I would recommend the provision of 2 or 3 bollards outside the frontage of this property in footway if the use is considered acceptable on planning grounds..

The application is supported by a schedule of drop-off and collection times which accurately provides details of the likely maximum traffic movement associated with the operation of the use. It is submitted within any given half-an-hour period it is highly unlikely that all drop-off and collections will take place at the same time. Furthermore, even if it were to be assumed that this was in fact to occur this would also have to presume that each child is associated with a vehicular movement, which is not currently the case. The proposed car park is adequate to accommodate the proposed use.

The double yellow lines provide a no-waiting at any time restriction across the site frontage (see attached Map excerpt below of the Borough of Eastleigh (Chandlers Ford and Hiltingbury) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting) (Disabled Persons Parking Places) (Amendment No8) Order 2009 which came into effect on 11 May 2009.)

Key to Restriction Types Displayed

No waiting at any time

Existing Restrictions

SCALE	1 : 4000	(NTS)
DATE	26/11/2008	
DRAWING No.	E/TM/01/N/14/001	
DRAWN BY	JF	
CHECKED BY	SRW	



Having visited the site it is perhaps difficult to imagine carers seeking to park on the footway or verge outside the property as there are currently a number of highway structures already in place that severely limit the ability to manoeuvre off highway, these will be observed during any site inspection.



Site Frontage showing presence of highway structures and current extent of highway verge

The application proposal seeks to include the blocking-up of the northern access to the site, shown in the foreground above. I would imagine that the Council would, as a matter of good planning as well as pedestrian safety, seek to have the existing dropped kerb removed and a full height kerb reinstated. As you will see the reinstatement of the highway at this point could conceivably also include the extension of the highway verge, which currently consists of a stretch of grass sward between the two existing access points. This would seem to be a matter that would be amenable to a *Grampian Style* Condition in association with the grant of consent

As a matter of practicality, whether bollards or a 'birds-beak' knee rail or similar device, some consideration needs to be given to the maintenance regime for this small stretch of verge.

I trust that this consideration will be given to the comments herein and that this will be of assistance to you in your consideration of the current planning application.

Carl Patrick
Consultant Planning Services