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Dear Ms Morris,

1 OAKWOOD ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 1LW

Replace existing external boundary wall with fence on both side (Oakwood Road and Hiltingbury Road), dropped kerb, erect driveway gate and pedestrian gate (Amended H/22/93248)

In regard to application H/23/95072, having reviewed the information contained within the application pack, no objection is made from a highway perspective, subject to conditions being applied as outlined below.

EXISTING ACCESS:

It is not clear from the plans provided whether or not the existing access from Hiltingbury Road is to be retained for access to the existing vehicle parking or not. Clarification is sought on this matter, as if the access is to become redundant, then the drop kerb and adjacent footway needs to be reinstated to full height.

PROPOSED ACCESS:

It is noted that the proposed access is already in place, with a drop kerb having been installed.

In terms of visibility, whilst no visibility splay drawings have been provided to demonstrate that the proposed fence will not interfere with visibility out onto Hiltingbury Road from Oakwood Road, a site visit has confirmed that visibility splays are not compromised by the new heightened fenceline.

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Onwards, it is noted that the driveway material is loose gravel, which is acceptable in principle. However the first 1.0m into site (minimum) should be made up of a non-migratory material in order to prevent the spread of the gravel onto the highway.

Gates are also proposed, and these should be set back a minimum of 6.0m into site from the edge of highway to prevent the need to wait on the highway whilst gates are opened, which increases highway safety risks for following drivers, particularly when in close proximity to a junction as in this case.

CONDITIONS:

CLOSURE OF EXISTING ACCESS PROVISION

Before use of the development is commenced any redundant existing access(es) from the site to Hiltingbury Road shall be permanently stopped up and effectively closed with the footway provided or verge reinstated, in accordance with details which have been submitted to and approved by the Planning Authority.

Reason - In the interests of highway safety.

GATES SET BACK PROVISION

Any gates provided shall be set back a distance of 6.0 metres from the edge of the carriageway of the adjoining highway.

Reason - In the interests of highway safety.

DRIVEWAY SURFACE

The driveway must be constructed of either a non-migratory material, or if materials to be used are migratory then a minimum 1.0 metre buffer of hardstanding must be positioned across the access to prevent material migration onto the highway.

Reason - In the interests of highway safety.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Grantham

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