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Dear Ms Morris,

Willow Bee, Allington Lane, Eastleigh, SO30 3HP

Replacement entrance gate, hardstanding and frontage fence (Retrospective).

In regard to application F/23/95507, having reviewed the information contained within the application pack, and onwards following a site visit, there is no objection in principle to the proposals from a highway perspective.

The new access design allows for a set back holding space into site prior to the gates, which allows for a vehicle to wait off the highway whilst the gates are opened. This is an improvement on the historical gated access which directly abutted the highway and meant a vehicle had to obstructively wait for the gates to be opened.

In terms of visibility, whilst no plan has been submitted to demonstrate whether or not visibility splays can be accorded to in line with current standards, which typically for a 40mph speed restricted road would be a minimum of 2.4m x 120.0m, following a site visit it does appear that there may be a shortfall.

However, in consideration with the historical access, the use of which could continue should planning for the new access be refused, and which also appears to be below standards in terms of visibility, the benefits of the new access outweigh the benefits of the retention of use of the old from a highway perspective.

It is however requested that an updated drawing is provided by the applicant which clearly shows the maximum visibility splays achievable both left and right to the

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nearside kerb, and that a condition is placed upon this drawing to ensure that the visibility envelope is kept clear of any vertical obstruction (landscaping / bushes / trees) above the height of 0.6m in the future.

Yours sincerely,

Matt Grantham

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