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Reference: F/25/100141

Enquiries to: HCC Strategic Development

Date: 17 October 2025

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Dear Rebecca,

Reference: F/25/100141 - 192 residential dwellings at Land south east of Kings Copse Avenue, Hedge End

Thank you for consulting the County Council as Local Education Authority on the above planning application.

The proposed development of 142 eligible dwellings would usually be expected to generate a total of 43 additional primary age children and 30 additional secondary age pupils. This is based on a rounded figure of 0.3 primary age children per new dwelling and 0.21 secondary age children per dwelling which was derived by conducting demographic surveys of developments that have been completed within Hampshire and calculating the average number of primary age children on those developments.

There is a significant amount of forecast development coming forward in this area which may require a review of the current catchment schools and alignment of any contributions, however currently the development site is served by Kings Copse Primary School, Deer Park School and Wildern School.

Kings Copse Primary School is forecast to have capacity. Deer Park Secondary School is forecast to be full. Wildern Secondary School is forecast to be full. To accommodate the additional secondary age students a contribution will be sought. Details of the forecasting methodology used, can be found online at:

[SDT-HampshireSchoolPlacePlan2025-2029](#)

The County Council has used previous extension projects to derive a cost for the proposed expansion to the secondary places within Wildern Secondary School and Deer

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Park Secondary School, and this is currently estimated at £980,760. This is based on the need to expand or improve the provision to accommodate the additional pupils from this development. This will go towards any expansion and/or improvement at Wildern Secondary School and/or Deer Park Secondary School.

In summary, the contributions towards the expansion, and/or improvement of Wildern Secondary School and/or Deer Park Secondary School is necessary as without expansion and improvement the school will be unable to accommodate the children arising from the development. The level of contribution being sought is fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the development.

This information is supported by the County Council's 'Guidance on Planning Obligations and Developer Infrastructure Contributions' which sets out the methodology for assessing the impact of development on education infrastructure. Please note, all sums are subject to indexation as detailed in the linked document below.

[Guidance-PlanningObligations-and-DeveloperInfrastructureContributions.pdf \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

Recommendation

The County Council, as Local Education Authority, raises no objection to the planning application subject to:

The applicant entering into a section 106 agreement to provide a contribution of **£980,760** towards the expansion of the catchment secondary school. This is required in order to mitigate the impact of the development on educational infrastructure and ensure that sufficient school places are provided to accommodate the additional children expected to be generated by the development.

Without the provision of a contribution towards the provision of additional school places the County Council, as Local Education Authority, would object to the proposal on the grounds that the impact on the existing infrastructure cannot be sufficiently mitigated and therefore the development is unacceptable in planning terms.

If you have any queries concerning the above, or wish to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at: strategicplanningunit@hants.gov.uk

Yours faithfully,



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On behalf of the Director of Children's Services

Via email