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Hi Linda

The allotment scheme has not included the comments I made in April see below:

There is no right of access to these allotments as the track near them is in other ownership. This has not been thought out.

The access track from Wykham Lane is still open which isn't a good idea. I am not happy with a single file track from the development with no passing places and no speed limiters. More detail is needed. What is the surface. How will they stop boy racers?

The route to the access gate is over grass this is hopelessly inadequate for transporting materials over.

Plot sizes need indicating. These look very large. I can't measure from a laptop. They need to show dimensions

Comments from April:

Parking bays need to be tarmacked. Justification for number of bays to plots?

There needs to be a concrete hardstanding for green waste to be deposited on and for waste bins to be stored. This can also be used for dropping off materials. Mike Hall at Banbury Town Council can provide a specification mike.hall@banbury.gov.uk. This needs to be inside the fenced area with vehicular access

A noticeboard with lockable doors is needed to provide information to plot holders

The site needs to be fenced with weldmesh fencing **at least 1.8m high with vehicular and pedestrian gates.**

All plots and their areas in m² should be indicated. A full plot is 250m², a half plot 125m².
Paths to be 1.4m wide crushed stone. **A 3m wide haulage way through the centre**

Cycle stands are needed

Topsoil on plots to be 450mm deep to BS 3882 2007 and cultivated to fine tilth. Free of all pernicious weeds.

Lockable water stand pipes are needed so that hoses can be attached. Troughs are not adequate. All plots need access to a standpipe within 25m. One standpipe is not enough

While a native hedge around the periphery is a good idea a woodland isn't as it will cast too much shade with Oak and Maple trees. The hedge mix should omit Field Maple and Clematis vitalba which will smother everything and kill it.

They need to tell us who will take over the allotments and let them along with all the practical and legal arrangements. It may be that Banbury Town would take them but this needs to be negotiated.

There is no point them resubmitting until they have resolved the issues. Once they have they can rewrite the report.

Kind regards

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