



National Highways Planning Response (NHPR 21-09) Formal Recommendation to an Application for Planning Permission

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Council's Reference: 22/01611/OUT

Location: Stratfield Farm, 374 Oxford Road, Kidlington, OX5 1DL

Proposal: Outline planning application for up to 118 no dwellings (all matters reserved except for access) with vehicular access from Oxford Road

National Highways Ref: 96643

Referring to the consultation on the planning application referenced above, in the vicinity of the A34 which forms part of the Strategic Road Network, notice is hereby given that National Highways' formal recommendation is that we:

- ~~a) offer no objection (see reasons at Annex A);~~
- b) recommend that conditions should be attached to any planning permission that may be granted (see Annex A – National Highways recommended Planning Conditions & reasons);**
- ~~c) recommend that planning permission not be granted for a specified period (see reasons at Annex A);~~
- ~~d) recommend that the application be refused (see reasons at Annex A)~~

Highways Act 1980 Section 175B is not relevant to this application.¹

¹ Where relevant, further information will be provided within Annex A.

This represents National Highways' formal recommendation and is copied to the Department for Transport as per the terms of our Licence.

Should the Local Planning Authority not propose to determine the application in accordance with this recommendation they are required to consult the Secretary of State for Transport, as set out in the Town and Country Planning (Development Affecting Trunk Roads) Direction 2018, via transportplanning@dft.gov.uk and may not determine the application until the consultation process is complete.

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Annex A National Highway's assessment of the proposed development

National Highways has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as a strategic highway company under the provisions of the Infrastructure Act 2015 and is the highway authority, traffic authority and street authority for the Strategic Road Network (SRN). The SRN is a critical national asset and as such we work to ensure that it operates and is managed in the public interest, both in respect of current activities and needs as well as in providing effective stewardship of its long-term operation and integrity.

National Highways interest in the case of this particular development proposal is the A34, in particular the Peartree and Kidlington interchanges.

Summary

The Transport Assessment and associated documentation for the application has been reviewed and we are satisfied that the trip generation is appropriate for the size and nature of the proposed development. During the network peak hours movements to and from the direction from the SRN are unlikely to have a significant impact on its safe and efficient operation.

The Transport Assessment does not provide any details of construction material and staff movements, and it was noted that a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) was not included as part of the submitted documentation. We therefore recommend that the applicant produces a CTMP to ensure that the development remains acceptable to National Highways during construction.

Recommendation

National Highways recommends that the following condition is attached to any planning permission that may be granted.

1. No part of the development hereby permitted shall commence until a Construction Traffic Management Plan has been submitted and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority (in consultation with National Highways as Highway Authority for the A34). It should include but not be limited to construction traffic routes, measures to prevent mud from being deposited on the highway and a programme for construction. Construction of the development shall then be carried out in accordance with the agreed Construction Traffic Management Plan.

REASON: To mitigate any adverse impact from the development on the A34 and to ensure that the A34 continues to be effective part of the national system of routes for through traffic in accordance with section 10 of the Highways Act 1980 and to satisfy the reasonable requirements of road safety.