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For the attention of: Planning Team Cherwell District Council

Planning Application: 22/02866/OUT

Site: Land East of Ploughley Road, Ambrosden

Proposal: OUTLINE planning application for up to 120 dwellings, vehicular and pedestrian access off Ploughley Road, new pedestrian access to West Hawthorn Road, surface water drainage, foul water drainage, landscaping, public open space, biodiversity and associated infrastructure. Access off Ploughley Road is not reserved for future consideration.

Our Reference: 96393 (Tracker No: #18124)

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to the initial e-mail dated 12th October 2022 in respect of the above application.

National Highways (we) has been appointed by the Secretary of State for Transport as 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 National Highways works 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.

In the case of this development proposal, our interest is in the A34 and M40 located west of the site. In particular, we are interested in M40 J9 which is a 6-mile drive from the site. We would be concerned if there were any potential safety or efficiency impacts to our network.

We have reviewed the Transport Assessment (TA) submitted alongside this application. We agree with the trip generation methodology, which is sourced using standard TRICS practices. The distribution however only shows directional distribution of development traffic onto the A41 just north of the site, with no further detail of the number of vehicles that could be expected to travel towards the M40 J9 and thus use the SRN. Table 6-4 in the TA shows that 64% of development traffic travels along the A41 in the Bicester direction, which is also the direction for access to the SRN. With 83 AM peak and 73 PM peak hour trips for the development overall, there could potentially be an impact on the M40 J9.

National Highways therefore requests that the applicant provides updated traffic distribution data showing the estimated distribution of trips to the M40 J9 and the A34.

We previously sent detailed comments above on 1st November 2022 to allow the applicant more time to respond. We have not received a re-consultation request on new or updated information since this time. It is recommended that the application (Ref: 22/02866/OUT) should not be approved for a period of 56 days (until 14th February 2023) from the date of this recommendation to enable a further assessment to be undertaken and to allow us to provide the Local Planning Authority with fully informed advice.

Please find attached our NHPR form in this respect.

Regards

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