

Wykham Park Banbury Travel Plan

Response to OCC Comments

Client:	Persimmon Homes (South Midlands)	Job No	J327221
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1. Introduction

1.1.1 mode have reviewed responses from Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) with regards to the submission of the Travel Plan for the reserved matters application (Planning Ref No. 22/02068/REM), comprising c.237 residential dwellings at Wykham Park in Banbury. The reserved matters application forms part of the consented outline application for a mixed-use development (Planning Ref No. 14/01932/OUT) comprising up to 1,000 residential dwellings, a local centre and community primary school.

1.1.2 The comments from OCC have been responded to directly below, with where they have been included in the most recent Travel Plan, and the reasons for their exclusion where necessary.

2. Comments

- *When is the anticipated/ expected date of occupation?*
 - The expected date of occupation has been addressed in Paragraph 1.2.6.
- *Paragraphs 1.2.4, 6.2.1, 7.3.1, 7.3.2 – Baseline surveys should be undertaken upon occupation of 50% of the site (118th dwelling) once an adequate survey opportunity is available.*
 - Paragraphs 1.2.4, 6.2.1, 7.3.1, 7.3.2 have been updated in line with this comment.
- *Further information about on-site pedestrian and cycling facilities and infrastructure is required.*
 - Further information provided in paragraph 1.2.5.
- *How many cycle parking spaces are to be provided?*
 - Details of cycle parking provision have been outlined in Paragraph 1.2.4.

- *How many car parking spaces will be provided?*
 - Details of parking provision have been outlined in Paragraph 1.2.3.
- *Please could a map of the site be included.*
 - A map of the site has been attached within the Travel Plan as Appendix A.
- *Information about the likely deliveries to the site should be included.*
 - Information regarding potential deliveries to the site would typically be addressed at the TA stage, an outline of the potential services that would provide home-delivery options has been reviewed in Paragraph 6.9.2, but a quantum of deliveries cannot be provided.
- *Trip generation figures (am and pm peaks) are required.*
 - Trip generation figures have been taken from the consented outline application for a mixed-use development (Planning Ref No. 14/01932/OUT) and have been applied to the quantum of 237 dwellings, in line with method utilised in the Travel Plan submitted as part of that application.
- *Paragraph 4.2.3 – who will act as an interim TPC for the site? This is useful information for the Travel Plans Team in order that a travel related monitoring dialogue can be established as soon as possible.*
 - The contact details of the full-time TPC (mode transport planning) will be provided to OCC.
- *What budget will be allocated to the TPC to fund the actions highlighted within the action plan?*
 - A budget for the travel planning actions is being discussed with the client Persimmon Homes.
- *Will the TPC role be a full/part time role?*
 - Paragraph 4.2.1 has been amended to highlight the full-time role of the TPC.
- *Paragraph 5.2.4 – Mode based targets are required for all modes for a period of five years.*
 - The breakdown of mode share targets has been summarised in Table 5.1 in a manner which best represents the shift from single occupancy vehicle trips driving to sustainable methods. It would be difficult to assign a shift of 5% across 5 years to 7 different sustainable methods, as this would result in a shift of 0.14% per mode per year.
- *EV charging has not been discussed.*
 - The EV charging provision for the development has been highlighted in Paragraph 1.2.3.
- *Reducing the need to travel e.g., home working and shopping has not been discussed.*

- Promotion of working from home as a Travel Plan Measure has been added at Section 6.9.
- *There are a number of community transport services operating in and around Banbury that could be useful to residents. Please could details of these services be added.*
 - Promotion of community transport measures as a Travel Plan Measure has been added at Section 6.7.
- *Car clubs – are there any car club vehicles in the vicinity of the development?*
 - The information for local car clubs has been added at Paragraph 6.4.4.
- *Are there any barriers to the promotion of sustainable, active travel identified within the TA?*
 - In addressing these comments mode has again reviewed the TA and cannot identify any barriers to the promotion of sustainable or active travel.
- *Paragraph 7.3.5 – Survey results should be forwarded to the Travel Plans Team at OCC within one month of collection.*
 - Paragraph 7.3.5 has been updated in line with this comment.
- *Paragraph 7.3.7 – Travel surveys should be undertaken at baseline (upon 50% occupancy of the site) and then in year 1, 3 and 5 as per the monitoring schedule. If targets are not met at the end of year 5, monitoring should continue in years 7 and 9.*
 - Paragraph 7.3.7 has been updated in line with this comment.
- *Table 1 – The action plan is not substantial enough to achieve a 5% reduction in SOV use. Please could all measures outlined within section 6 be added to the action plan. Additional measures/ initiatives such as EV charging and those to facilitate reducing the need to travel should also be considered.*
 - The measures outlined within Section 6 will all be advertised and promoted in line with the “Agree and prepare publicity and marketing materials to promote sustainable transport uptake amongst new residents/visitors.” – mode typically distributes a welcome pack containing all of this information to new residents, as well as annual update leaflets containing the most recent and updated information.
- *Each action should refer to the objective it relates to.*
 - Table 5.1 has been amended to include this information.