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Dear Cllr Rutter

Kings Barton Development

Thank you for your letter of 12 November 2020 with regards the Kings Barton Development. Apologies for the delay in formally responding but I understand a range of meetings have been held between HCC Highway officers and WCC officers with regards the matters raised in your letter. I am also aware of further separate correspondence on the items raised in your letter.

With regards access to the Barton Farm Academy and crossing of Andover Road, HCC has recently arranged the clearance of the pathway on the development side of Andover Road of any overgrowing vegetation to assist the catchment area pupils from the south of the development. Work to investigate extending the existing 40mph limit on Andover Road has also commenced. Furthermore, HCC has now instigated a technical feasibility study to establish the possibility of implementing a signalised pedestrian crossing on the Andover Road, in the vicinity of Halls Farm Close pedestrian footpath link and the "ridge". It is anticipated this will be completed in Spring 2021, noting a number of technical issues may need to be overcome. Following this study, HCC will further consider allocating S106 highway funding towards the surfacing of the "ridge" footpath, alongside other potential funding sources including CIL.

On the matter of better crossing facilities on Worthy Road between Stoke Road and Dyson Drive, I can advise that initial assessments were conducted here a few years ago, where it was indicated that there were insufficient pedestrians crossing to pursue it further. Whilst the developer is currently constructing a 2.7m wide tarmac route linking King's Barton to Courtenay Road this situation is currently unchanged. If this route is well used in the future it may increase the numbers crossing Worthy Road and this position may change. A route from King's Barton to Winchester via Worthy Road is included in the Winchester Movement Strategy Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure

Deputy Leader Executive Member for Economy, Transport and Environment Councillor Rob Humby Plan, but as a secondary route, therefore further crossing provision may potentially be forthcoming in the future, but not as of yet.

Like you, I want to ensure safe walking routes to the site and we will continue to work with the City Council and developer in this regard.

Yours sincerely

Cllr Rob Humby
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