

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Ben Clifton – Team Leader, Strategic Transport
Title:	Havant Road, Bedhampton (Portsdown Hill) – S278 Agreement 101143
Reference:	6/3/13/158

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That authority be given to the Chief Executive's Department in accordance with Paragraph 1.23 of the Economy, Transport and Environment Department's Scheme of Delegation to enter into an agreement under Section 278 of the Highways Act 1980 with Havant Borough Council relating to Land at Portsdown Hill, west of Glebe Park Avenue and north of Bedhampton Hill, Havant.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. Planning consent for development of the Land at Havant Road, Bedhampton (Portsdown Hill) was obtained from Havant Borough Council under reference APP/14/00232
- 2.2. In order to access the development, highway improvements are required. The developer has submitted and gained approval to a design for the works consisting of;
 - *Reconstruction of existing access to serve the new site and creation of new footway adjacent to Havant Road*
- 2.3. The completion of the Section 278 Agreement enables the developer to undertake the highway works, in accordance with the terms and conditions that the County Council has stipulated. The works are considered to provide public benefit.
- 2.4. The Agreement also provides for the dedication as public highway of the land necessary for the works, and the County Council has agreed that following completion of the works and a one-year maintenance period to thereafter maintain the works as public highway.
- 2.5. The full cost of the works, including any costs to the County Council in facilitating the works, will be met by the developer under the terms of the Agreement.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

Not to agree to enter into the agreement

- 3.1. This option was considered but dismissed on the basis that the applicant has demonstrated that the proposed works can be constructed in a safe manner and to an acceptable standard, that planning consent for the development including access exists, and that the works will provide essential access to the development site.

To agree a different specification of works

- 3.2. This was considered but dismissed. The access works as secured in the Agreement are considered to be satisfactory and appropriate to provide access to the development without unacceptably impacting on the safety of the public highway.

4. Conflicts of interest:

- 4.1. Conflict of interest declared by an Executive Member who is consulted by the officer which relates to the decision: None

5. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:

- 5.1. None

6. Supporting information:

- 6.1. Final draft legal agreement
6.2. Plan showing highway works Drawing 4040.102 Rev E

Approved by:

Date: 17th November 2015

Ben Clifton – Team Leader, Strategic Transport

On behalf of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment