

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Ben Clifton – Team Leader, Strategic Transport
Title:	North Town – S278 Agreement PT 33 A 2210
Reference:	

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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 Hampshire County Council and J.B. Leadbitter relating to Phase 2 North Town, being Land bound by North Lane, Deadbrook Lane and Eastern Road, Aldershot.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. Planning consent for development of the Land at North Town, being Land bound by North Lane, Deadbrook Lane and Eastern Road, Aldershot was obtained from Rushmoor Borough Council under reference 09/00431/FULPP.
- 2.2. In order to mitigate the development, highway improvements are required. The developer has submitted and gained approval to a design for the works consisting of;
 - New footway/ cycleway including corduroy paving and crossing of bellmouths and uncontrolled pedestrian crossing.
 - Minor drainage works to Queen Street turning head
- 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 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 319.0001-207 Rev P4 and 319.0001-215 Rev P8

Approved by:

Date:

11th February 2015

Ben Clifton – Team Leader, Strategic Transport

**On behalf of the Director of Economy, Transport and
Environment**