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Sent: 11 July 2022 14:55
To: Parish Clerk (Wisborough Green)
Cc: Ian Myhill; Eloise Short
Subject: RE: Kirdford Road Footway Provision

Dear Louise,

Thank you for your email. I can confirm the stated statement is an accurate reflection of our discussions and we would therefore be satisfied for you to use in your evidence.

Kind regards,

Jamie

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Dear Jamie

I would be grateful if WSCC would confirm that the following statement is correct so that a copy of your response email will be provided in our Neighbourhood Plan evidence.

The Wisborough Green Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has consulted with West Sussex County Council (WSCC) Highways Officers regarding the provision of a new footway on Kirdford Road. In addition to email exchanges and telephone conversations about the Neighbourhood Plan aspiration to achieve a new footway, an online meeting was held on 17th November 2021 which included Planning Officers from Chichester District Council (CDC). At this meeting, both WSCC and CDC Officers confirmed that, in principle, a footway could potentially come forward if proposed development and evidence at the time of planning applications supported its provision, and there were no physical or planning restrictions. CDC advised that a footway was not a planning requirement for each individual site, but there was justification with the cumulative number of proposed dwellings.

The footway provision was identified by village residents through the Neighbourhood Plan consultation events. It was considered by residents that it could provide accessibility and highway safety benefits for both new and existing residents. Since the initial meeting, WSCC has provided land ownership plans which demonstrate that sufficient highways land could be available along Kirdford Road to facilitate a potential footway, with a small section in private ownership being offered as part of the Stable Field site to link with Parish land. WSCC comments are linked to either developer pre-application advice when scheme details are provided or a formal planning application when WSCC Highways is a consultee. WSCC Highways therefore advised that when planning application(s) came forward for any of the sites, that would look to deliver the works, WSCC highways would provide comment to CDC on each application's own merits.

However, WSCC is considering the footway on Parish land, to provide the connecting link to the existing footway network, as a Local Transport Improvements Project, allocating an initial project reference of LTIP0333, Kirdford Road. Feasibility and initial support for the scheme will be investigated shortly although it is usually a 3 year process; feasibility and consultation in year one, preliminary design in year two and building in the third year depending on support and programme availability.

The Wisborough Green Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has discussed the provision with the landowners/developers who are willing to provide the footway sections related to their sites, and accept that Neighbourhood Plan policy sets out this requirement. Although some funding for the section on Parish land has been found within WSCC S106 provision, Parish Community Infrastructure Levy or additional developer funding may also be required.

Thank you.

Louise

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