TO THE PLANNING COMMITTEE 17th August 2021

Agenda item 5 Application ref: 21/00601/FUL

Address Land South of Market Drayton Road, Loggerheads

Since the publication of the main agenda report, the formal consultation response of the **Highways Authority (HA)**. The HA objects indicating that Section 5 of the application form states the reason for the variation of condition 16 requiring the provision of a 2m footpath to be altered to a 1.8m footpath, was not a requirement of the HA. They indicate that this is not correct as the HA consultation response dated 7 Sept 2017 a 2m footway was recommended as a condition.

Officer response

It is apparent that the HA have misunderstood the nature of the application.

In commenting upon the outline planning application the HA recommended that a condition should be imposed providing a 2m wide footway on the site frontage linking from the site boundary across the frontage of the Fire Station through to Kestrel Drive. The HA did not recommend the provision of a footpath connecting the south west part of the site to Kestrel Drive.

The current application does not seek to amend or remove the requirement to provide a 2m wide footpath along the northern A53 frontage connecting to the existing footpath by the Fire Station. It seeks to remove the requirement to provide a footpath that links the south-west part of the site from its southern boundary to Kestrel Drive.

It is therefore correct to say that the provision of this footpath at whatever width was not a requirement of the HA.

For the reasons set out in the report it is considered that the provision of a footpath linking the south-west part of the site to Kestrel Drive is not reasonable and should be omitted. It is not considered necessary to include a requirement to provide a 1.8m wide footpath internally through the site that links the south-west part to the footpath along the northern boundary instead of a direct link. A suitable layout of the site should ensure that there are suitable pedestrian routes through the site and this will be considered as part of the reserved matters application.

The RECOMMENDATION remains as set out in the main agenda