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VIA EMAIL ONLY

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Dear Stacey,

RE: Application Reference 2020/0028 – Highways works comprising construction of new roundabout to create a road link into MU1 Local Plan allocation site and associated earthworks, alterations to existing road alignment, provision of associated footpaths, combined cycle/footpath and verges

Following submission of the revised roundabout arrangements, we write to provide a summary of amendments.

The location of the southern roundabout has been amended to address concerns from the Council's highways officers. The previous proposal included a four-arm roundabout, with direct access for properties west of Higham Common Road from the road which joins back up with Higham Common Road. Highway safety concerns were raised with this arrangement being too close to the roundabout and potentially affecting the operation of the roundabout and making it less safe for all users.

The proposals now comprise a five-arm roundabout on Higham Common Road, which provides a fifth arm dedicated to properties west of Higham Common Road – please see submitted plan: **General Arrangement, drawing no. A2-100-P-001, rev D**. A turning head is proposed to allow refuse vehicles to serve the properties and manoeuvre out safely. Pedestrian crossings are provided along each arm of the roundabout, with pedestrian crossing islands located on every approach.

To allow for the fifth arm on the roundabout and the Council's request to comply with the national Design Manual for Roads and Bridges (DMRB) standards, the location of the roundabout has also changed. The roundabout is now located further north east of the previous proposals, and this is illustrated on the submitted plan: **RED BOUNDARY OLD AND NEW**.

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The blue line shows the location of the previous four-arm roundabout and the red line shows the location of the new five-arm roundabout. The changes proposed also allow for the roundabout to be located further away from existing residents and a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit has been undertaken for the proposals to address any highway safety concerns.

We trust this provides clarification on the amended scheme, in the meantime should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely



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