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RE: ***Application description***

Proposal: Demolition of existing house and outbuildings and erection of five dwellings
Location: 190 Herne Road Ramsey St Marys Huntingdon PE26 2SY

Following a review of the documents provided to the Highway Authority as part of the above planning application it was noted that the access has been positioned so that the manhole cover is within the southern radius.

This is not acceptable as it may not be possible to adequately secure the kerbs either side due to the chamber and they could then become a maintenance issue.

Therefore, the access should relocated to the north so as to avoid the manhole cover. Alternatively the applicant may wish to relocate the manhole however they will need to contact the appropriate utility service to reach agreement on any necessary alterations and bear the cost.

It was also noted that there are other public utilities in the verge which may require lowering or diverting to enable the access to be constructed. The applicant will need to liaise with the relevant utility providers as to the feasibility of such works and the associated costs, which would need to be met by the applicant. In the Local Highway Authority's experience, costs associated with the alteration of utilities can be significant and so the applicant is encouraged to ascertain the utility providers' requirements at the earliest opportunity.

In addition, the construction of the access is shown as permeable paving which is not acceptable for the area within the public highway. This should be constructed to the specification in our General Principles for Development document Highways

development - Cambridgeshire County Council including an apex or positive drainage at the highway boundary.

A new lamp column is being provided to replace the one within the proposed access however, there is a direction sign on the existing lamp column which will not be in an acceptable location if it is attached to the new lamp column. Therefore, a new sign on a post should be provided on the north side of the access. If they haven't already done so, the applicant should contact our Street Lighting team to discuss their requirements for the new column. street.lighting@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Also, there is a bus stop flag and timetable on the lamp column so the applicant should contact the Passenger Transport team to ensure that it is acceptable to relocate the bus stop to the south.
passenger.transport@cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk

There appears to be a ditch in front of the site so the applicant will require permission from our Flood, Water and Biodiversity team to pipe/culvert the ditch. Watercourse management - Cambridgeshire County Council

Defer for an amended drawing showing the access moved in a northerly direction (or confirmation that the manhole can be relocated), the access constructed to CCC;s specification with drainage detailed, and the direction sign relocated on a post.

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