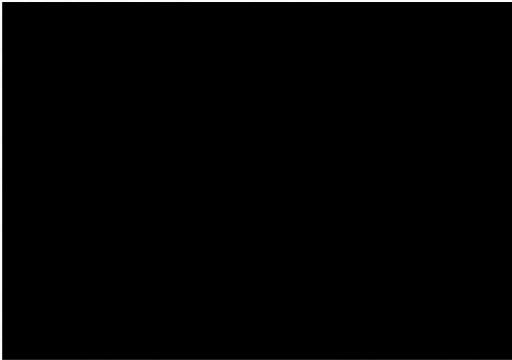




25th March 2025

RE: Professional Driver Feedback – Cobham House Vineyard HGV Access
Planning Number: 20240544

To Whom It May Concern,

 and I am a certified HGV driver with over 14 years of experience. I have been licensed since 2011 and regularly handle vehicles of up to 32 tonnes on tight rural networks.

The field gate on Gold Street offers no viable way for a lorry to turn in directly. Reversing into or out of Batts Lane is unsafe, particularly without a second person assisting. Exit visibility is minimal. The loose-surfaced track will degrade with use and push mud and debris onto the highway. More seriously, repeated use will damage the nearby public right of way.

Given the limitations of the access, I cannot support Planning Application 20240544, which in my opinion, fails to provide a safe or sustainable access route for HGVs.

