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Date: 2nd October 2023

Mrs Lucy Hankin
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Dear Lucy

REFERENCE NO. 20230758

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT Erection of a 1 bedroom bungalow.

LOCATION Land Known As The Den, Rhododendron Avenue, Meopham, Kent

I refer to your letter dated 14th September regarding the above planning application.

I can confirm that I do not have any objections to the above planning application at The Den. Access to the property involves driving along a Public Right of Way Bridleway NS293, and we would ask that any construction is done with this in mind. Vehicles should be driven with care over the bridleway so as not to damage the surface, and any contractors should be made aware that there will likely be frequent use of the route by pedestrians.

The liability to maintain the bridleway in a condition suitable for vehicles, to repair damage caused by vehicles, and to deal with issues that impact on accessibility by vehicles rest with the holders of those private vehicular rights, and not with the County Council. I enclose a copy of the Public Rights of Way network map showing the line of the path for your information.

The granting of planning permission confers no other permission or consent on the applicant. It is therefore important to advise the applicant that no works can be undertaken on a Public Right of Way without the express consent of the Highways Authority. In cases of doubt the applicant should be advised to contact this office before commencing any works that may affect the Public Right of Way. Should any temporary closures be required to ensure public safety then this office will deal on the basis that:

- The applicant pays for the administration costs.
- The duration of the closure is kept to a minimum.
- Alternative routes will be provided for the duration of the closure.
- A minimum of six weeks notice is required to process any applications for temporary closures.

This means that the Public Right of Way must not be stopped up, diverted, obstructed (this includes any building materials or waste generated during any of the construction phases) or the surface disturbed. There must be no encroachment on the current width, at any time now or in future and no furniture or fixtures may be erected on or across Public Rights of Way without consent.

Yours sincerely

A black rectangular box redacting the signature of Deborah Scott.

Deborah Scott
Technical Support Officer
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