

P19-1525TR/CMR/LD

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Emy Circuit
Delivery Manager (South Wokingham & Wokingham
Town Centre)
Wokingham Borough Council

Dear Emy

Planning Reference 191068. Development at Phase 2b of the South Wokingham SDL.

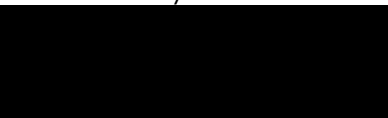
We write to confirm how the Public Transport Strategy (PTS) for Phase 2b the South Wokingham SDL will be delivered.

By way of context, Phase 2b of the SDL includes the delivery of up to 1,434 dwellings and complementary land uses including a primary school and local centre. Phase 2a of the SDL (planning reference 190914) adjoins the site to the east and is proposed for up to 215 dwellings. A further phase (planning reference 192325) adjoins the site to the west and is proposed for up to 171 dwellings. The Council is delivering the South Wokingham Distributor Road (SWDR), which will serve the SDL.

The PTS was devised between 2019 and 2023 further to significant dialogue between Pegasus, the Applicants' public transport specialist MM Transport Planning, the local bus operators, and the Council's highway authority. It is a comprehensive strategy for the SDL. It includes a preferred bus link between Bracknell and Wokingham Railway Stations that is envisaged to route along the SWDR. It also makes provision for a suggested temporary route, in the event that the link is brought into service before the SWDR is completed. The PTS dated February 2023 forms a background document included within the Applicants outline planning submissions.

The Council has subsequently agreed with the Applicants that it will deliver the bus link that covers both the preferred and temporary routes on their behalf. This will be funded by the Applicants through planning obligations. As part of this, the Council will replace the previously prepared PTS with its own work with reference to prevailing public transport circumstances at the time the bus link comes into effect.

Yours sincerely



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