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FW: Edenhurst Playing Fields

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From: Jones, Julie On Behalf Of Flaherty, John

Sent: 02 June 2015 15:15

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Hi All

IT have managed to retrieve the e-mail, see below.

Julie

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From:

Sent: 02 June 2015 15:07

To: Flaherty, John

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----Original Message----From: Flaherty, John Sent: 02 April 2015 09:50

To:

Cc: Morgan, Graham Clir; Bannon, Christine Clir (Christine.Bannon@knowsley.gov.uk); Clir Margaret Harvey

(margaret.harvey@knowsley.gov.uk) Subject: FW: Edenhurst Playing Fields

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Hello Mr Hopper

Cllr Morgan has kindly shared your email with me and asked that I provide further detail in relation to your enquiry. I can advise, and I am sure you are fully aware, that the impact upon the safety and convenience of highway users for this potential development has always been one of the contentious points raised by residents throughout the Local Plan process.

The Council's view has always been that the site can, in principle, be accessed satisfactorily for a housing development but the detail about how this is done will require care at the planning application stage to ensure impacts on neighbouring residents are minimised. More specifically, the Knowsley Local Plan Transport Feasibility Study, which was prepared by Aecom on behalf of the Council in 2012, identified that ideally, vehicular access would be off Childwall Valley Road (via Sarum Road), as this would provide a more direct route over the other options and allow pedestrian links to the bus network. This would not necessarily preclude access via the Bowring side, however, a developer would need to support this via a Transport Assessment submitted with their planning application.

Taylor Wimpey's statement to the Local Plan hearing session in November 2013 indicated that, in their view, access could be satisfactorily gained via the Bowring side and that there were other site layout constraints which precluded the Childwall Valley Road option. This statement included an appendix prepared for Taylor Wimpey by Croft Transport Solutions.

In response to the consultation on modifications to the Local Plan in late 2014, as you may be aware neighbouring residents once again raised transport issues. Their objections, and the Council's response are summarised in pages 116 and 117 of our "Accounting for Representations" document, February 2015. The Council's response is, in essence, that the appropriate access remains to be determined at planning application stage and stresses the need for the eventual solution to ensure the development is safe for pedestrians and vehicles in the area. I would reiterate, the Council's position with this potential planning application from Taylor Wimpey remains that access and egress during and post development should be off Childwall Valley Road. However, I would also advise that no planning application has been received and neither is one expected to be received until at least after the Local Plan process concludes later this year.

I would emphasise that the land in question is in private ownership, not the Council's ownership. Furthermore, the timescales involved in the Local Plan process is that the Planning Inspector will undertake his hearings in public in the first week of June, the Inspector will consider the outcomes from those hearings during the Summer and should there be no further modifications and the plan is determined as sound then the earliest the Local Plan could be considered formally by the Council will be in Autumn this year. Should the Inspector advise on further modifications to the Local Plan then those timescales will change significantly.

I hope this is helpful and clarifies the situation. Kind regards John

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----Original Message----From: Morgan, Graham Clfr Sent: 29 March 2015 12:38

To: 'Mike Hopper'; Bannon, Christine Cllr; Harvey, Margaret Cllr

Subject: RE: Edenhurst Playing Fields

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Mr Hooper

Many thanks for taking the time to respond to the newsletter. I agree with your comments raised below, I do understand your comments and other residents comments regarding traffic flow. If any houses are to be built on this land then my argument is for the access and egress to be solely onto the Childwall Valley Road side. I will also ask the question you raised over the road heading towards the territorial army base being 'shelved' due to expense, as I have not heard this.

As soon as I have any further information I will report back to you. In the meantime don't hesitate to contact me or the other councillors regarding this or any other matter.

Graham Morgan

----Original Message----

From: Mike Hopper

Sent: 23 March 2015 15:13

To: Morgan, Graham Clir; Bannon, Christine Clir; Harvey, Margaret Clir

Subject: Edenhurst Playing Fields



Cllr. Graham Morgan

Cllr. Christine Bannon

Cllr. Margaret Harvey

EDENHURST PLAYING FIELDS

Dear Councillors,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the above matter.

Forgive my cynicism, but my fear is that this letter will be just one of hundreds - maybe more - that is simply dealt with and filed away by a bureaucrat. It will certainly be of interest to me whether or not I get a reply which is specific to the arguments raised.

For all that, I will make the effort and keep my missive as short as possible.

Your point about anti-social behaviour on the Lucas's Playing Fields is well made and certainly resonates with this resident at least. Indeed, I can go even further and be willing to consider a positive impact that a new housing estate might have on the space. However, where the fear factor goes sky-high is with regards the impact of traffic. The mind boggles at the thought, during building, of wagon after wagon roaring up and down Bowring Park Avenue and Rimmer Avenue, not to mention the threat of rat-runs along Gladstone, Ewart and Sheppard. Noise pollution brought by them would be unbearable and the trail of dirt and soil readily foreseeable. That is in the short term. Thereafter, once the estate is completed, the number of cars will explode! I mention this because we've been told that the original concept of an outlet on the far side, by the Territorial Army base, has now been shelved on grounds of expense. I put it to you that the massive increase in traffic will be so great as to not get hidden away amidst the, nonetheless, important debate about the actual residential building on green belt. The ensuing consequence of much increased traffic passing through the present cul-de-sac estate is the biggest antisocial factor of all and must be addressed to the satisfaction of the existing residents. I will be interested to see if a proper reply is forthcoming on the matter. Mike Hopper Resident