

Lovlace Neighbourhood Plan
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The Planning Inspectorate
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Dear Sir,

M25/A3 Junction 10 Interchange - Lovlace Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for allowing me to submit the Lovlace Neighbourhood Plan (LNP) as a written representation to the Examination (open meeting, 6pm, 12th November 2019). Despite Highways England (HE) being contacted as a statutory consultee during the LNP Regulation 14 Public Consultation (September – November 2018), neither the LNP Steering Group or Ripley Parish Council have had any liaison with HE, nor were either advised of the above meeting, so were unable to register as Interested Parties. The comments made at the meeting were therefore off-the-cuff.

The LNP was prepared by a volunteer Steering Group on behalf of Ripley and Ockham Parish Councils and Wisley village and the Parish Councils submitted the LNP for examination at the end of September 2019. (Wisley does not have a Parish Council). The LNP was prepared following extensive public consultation throughout and reflects the views of the communities.

Lovlace is the borough electoral Ward covering Ripley, Ockham and Wisley and the vast majority of the proposed Junction 10 works will occur within its boundaries. The three villages will be severely affected by a number of projects in the next few years, all of which will have an adverse effect on the Strategic and Local Road Networks in the area, some short-term, others on-going. It would be sensible for the examination to take account of the numerous proposals for the area and their traffic implications. The LNP summarises these projects, including the Junction 10 works, and the policies and justifications address the short and long-term effects of them.

The sections relevant to this Inquiry are listed below and can be seen at:

http://www.ripleyparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood_plan.html

(N.B. Page numbers refer to the number on the written page).

1) Submission Lovlace Neighbourhood Plan

- Section 3 – Constraints and Challenges
 - 3.3 to end of section (pgs 14-22).
Re. J10, RHS, former Wisley Airfield, Garlicks Arch, Burnt Common Slip Roads
- Section 6 – Environment
 - 6.1 Introduction (pgs 39-41)
 - 6.6 Air Quality and Traffic (pgs 56-65)

- Section 7 – Infrastructure
 - 7.3 Public Transport and Sustainable Travel (pgs 70-74)
 - 7.5 Parking (pictures on pgs 81-82)

2) Appendices

- Appendix B9 – 2018 Summary & full Regulation 14 Statutory Comments and LNP Responses. Highways England response to the LNP (pg 64)
- Appendix D2 – Pollution and Air Quality by Postcode
- Appendix D3 – Ripley Air Quality Report – by TRL Consultants
- Appendix D4 – Ockham Air Quality Report – by TRL Consultants

During the initial HE public consultation (February 2017) in Ripley Village Hall, HE representatives stated that the LRN and Ripley village would be unaffected by RHS traffic to the north of the village travelling to and from the southbound A3. It is believed they have now undertaken traffic modelling and acknowledged there will be a substantial increase in traffic through the village. (RHS membership target, to increase from 900,000 to 1.4m, currently membership is 1.1m).

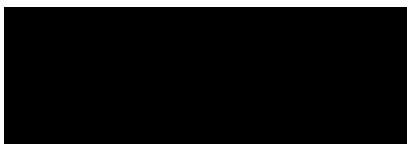
The owners of the former Wisley Airfield situated to the north of Ripley village, (2,000+ dwellings proposed, 4-5,000 cars), are proposing to finance the 2-way junction to the south of Ripley to become a 4-way junction. If this development went ahead it would mean a large proportion of the former airfield traffic passing through Ripley village for southbound access to the A3 at Burnt Common in Send. It would also increase traffic substantially on the LRN and SRN.

Traffic from the north travelling to Woking town and station would use the narrow and winding Wisley Lane or from the junction in the centre of Ripley village. The latter is already notorious for congestion due to its narrowness, and current air pollution problems.

Construction traffic could also pass through the village and LRN.

The Lovelace Neighbourhood Plan does not address solutions as these are beyond their remit, but assesses the effects on the area. It is hoped the relevant LNP sections will advise Mr Jones and his team during the Junction 10 examination.

Yours faithfully,



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Chair, Lovelace Neighbourhood Plan