



PROJECT PROFILE

Client: Reside Developments

Location: Hampshire

Sectors: Residential

Services: Transport Planning, Travel Planning, Flood Risk, Sustainable Drainage Systems

Project overview: A robust traffic planning, highways and drainage package helped to address all outstanding matters raised by the local planning authority, resulting in a successful appeal

Added value:

- New cycleway and footpath to improve connectivity
- Land unlocked to north of town
- Local bus service reinstated as part of sustainable travel strategy

Land to the south of Funtley Road, Funtley, Hampshire

A solid understanding of traffic planning, highways and drainage issues, combined with a dogged determination to address concerns, resulted in a successful appeal outcome for Reside Developments, who plan to build 125 homes on land in Hampshire.

Outline planning permission had been granted for 55 homes in Funtley, near Fareham. The earlier proposals included plans to convert a bridge over the M27 into a cycleway and footpath, improving the site's connectivity with Fareham and unlocking land to the north of the motorway and town. The local planning authority was not initially persuaded that the location was sustainable, in particular, in respect of access to services for future occupants.

A new turning circle was negotiated to help facilitate the reinstatement of the bus service to Funtley. Vouchers will be provided to encourage new residents to use the bus service or cycle. An upgraded footpath link also makes walking to the local secondary school a viable option for pupils.

Concerns about flooding were also raised by nearby residents. However, the risk of surface-water runoff was mainly attributed to poor maintenance of existing infrastructure. Motion's drainage experts were quick to respond to the requirements for additional notes during the inquiry.

The inspector was satisfied that runoff from the site would be intercepted and slowed with the proposed series of tanks, ponds and swales, concluding that the development was unlikely to exacerbate existing drainage or flooding issues



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