# **Development Management Committee**

### Wednesday 30 November 2016

# Late Observations Schedule

#### Schedule Items

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4. Although the consultation period is fixed, and representations received subsequently cannot be accepted, the Council through its Duty to Co-Operate arrangements maintains ongoing contact with other councils and a number of statutory bodies.

One such body is Highways England, and in recent days we have received a request from them to add some text for clarification, and a minor factual correction. This is considered acceptable and helpful clarification, and the changes are therefore recommended as additional items for inclusion within Appendix B, the Schedule of Proposed Minor Modifications.

The changes proposed are as follows:

Additional text to paragraph 12.31:

The Link Road scheme will improve access to and from the Strategic Road Network which has long been an issue, given that routes to Junction 3 and 4 of the M55 are slow and generally of poor quality. More recently this has been compounded by the closure of part of Wild Lane due to a structural failing of a section of road, which has led to an increase in traffic using Junction 3 via Wrea Green. The Link Road scheme will redress this situation and provide some much needed relief to a junction that is already operating under stress at peak times.

Paragraph 2.4 of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan should be amended to state:

The estimated cost of the Link Road is £16.84 million, which will be funded through Section 106 contributions from the housing scheme adjacent to Queensway, St Annes, FBC capital, the LEP Local Growth Fund and Highways England's Growth and Housing Fund.