AGENDA ITEM 6a





# Planning, Transportation & Environment

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#### Dear Cllr Hutton

Thank you for your letter dated 5 February 2019 regarding the infrastructure and education provision in Tavistock associated with local development. This letter provides an update from Devon County Council in relation to your questions.

There a number of development sites in Tavistock that will be making Section 106 contributions towards local infrastructure and education. A summary of these provisions is provided below:

#### Bus

#### Callington Road

- £100,000 on 50th occupation. £100,000 per year over four additional years
- Bus shelter on 50th occupation

# **Butcher Park Hill**

- Total of £195,000
- Bus shelter prior to 30th occupation

#### New Launceston Road

Total of £135,000 prior to 50th occupation

# Public Transport System between Tavistock and Bere Alston Callington Road

• Land and contributions up to a total of approximately £11m

# Butcher Park HillUp to a total of £57,939

# New Launceston Road

Up to a total of £82,225

#### **Highways**

# Callington Road

- £25,000 towards TROs and improvement works
- A390 Callington Road access roundabout
- A390 Callington Road / Ford Street roundabout improvement
- A386 Plymouth Road / Pixon Lane roundabout improvement
- Callington Road speed restrictions



#### **Butcher Park Hill**

- Pedestrian footpath and crossing point from the west side of Butcher Park Hill to the existing Redmoor Close junction
- Revisions to speed restrictions
- · Associated lining, kerbing and resurfacing works
- TRO contribution £5,000

#### Churchills

 A390 Callington Road / A386 Plymouth Road Drakes Statue roundabout improvement (Section 278 / 38 Agreement)

#### Education

#### Callington Road

 An area of land and contributions towards a primary school, the first prior to 400<sup>th</sup> occupation.

#### **Butcher Park Hill**

Contributions to primary school places, the first prior to 10% occupation.

#### New Launceston Road

• Contributions to primary school places, 50% of balance prior to occupation and remaining prior to 50% occupation.

Detailed information relating to each of the developments is available on the West Devon Borough Council planning portal:

#### Callington Road, Bovis Homes

http://apps.westdevon.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/134353

### Butcher Park Hill, 3H Investments Limited

http://apps.westdevon.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/153969

#### Churchills, Churchill Retirement Living Limited

http://apps.westdevon.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/172232

#### New Launceston Road, Cavanna Homes

http://apps.westdevon.gov.uk/PlanningSearchMVC/Home/Details/162076

In addition, Devon County Council have recently undertaken an 'A386 Tavistock to Plymouth Corridor Study'. This considers the existing network conditions and future transport improvements in the local area. We hope to make this available in the public domain in the near future.

More specifically regarding proposals for primary and secondary expansion in Tavistock, I can confirm the following:

#### Primary

Based on the school capacity, there is circa 150 spare places in the three schools that serve the town. The three schools have very limited opportunity for expansion and as such a new school is proposed and where possible, contributions have been sought. Devon continues to monitor numbers closely



but there has in recent years been a falling demographic in the town. The Section 106 agreement for Callington Road sets out the process for calling for the school land and enables the Local Authority to access the site upon commencement of development to undertake necessary survey work to support the initial design of the school.

#### Secondary

Tavistock College has recently converted to academy status and is a part of the Dartmoor Multi Academy Trust. The legal funding agreement between the Trust and Secretary of State confirms the school capacity at in excess of 1,900 places with circa 1,300 children on roll. Therefore, no contributions can be sought from development due to the surplus capacity. I attach a link to the Department for Education website that confirms this position: <a href="https://get-information-schools.service.gov.uk/Establishments/Establishment/Details/145336">https://get-information-schools.service.gov.uk/Establishments/Establishment/Details/145336</a>

We recognise the College has concerns about the quality of their accommodation and are working closely with the Trust's CEO on how improvements can be secured although funding for strategic maintenance does not sit with the Local Education Authority.

Yours sincerely,

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