



Cheswick Green Parish Council

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By email only

Dear Nick,

Cheswick Green Parish Council note your letter regarding change of access to the Cheswick Place site.

Members find this to be totally unacceptable for several reasons and are deeply concerned about this. You referred to Health and Safety concerns over the access from Tanworth Lane, but do not seem to have considered the implications of accessing the site from Coppice Walk in any detail. Coppice Walk is a narrow windy residential road and the access point lies on a bend making visibility poor, there are also frequently many parked vehicles. Access from outside the village has not been mentioned, nor have any measures to prevent delivery vehicles entering through the village centre. The only route in would have to be via Tanworth Lane and Watery Lane which would mean passing the current entrance. The entrance off Tanworth Lane is far easier for large vehicles to turn into.

Members feel that more careful planning of the order of construction could have avoided this problem. Members were not aware that use of the Coppice Walk access for construction traffic was ever supposed to happen. Members are also appalled that the Parish Council was not consulted before this decision was taken.

Routing construction traffic via Coppice Walk, which you are aware poses a safety risk, is merely transferring this nuisance to more people and potentially increasing the safety risk. It has been pointed out that by your own admission, the access will require constant monitoring by Traffic Marshalls. This suggests that use of this access will introduce significant risks to local residents.

Members assume that Noble Way via Tanworth Lane was built as a safe road for both residential and construction traffic?

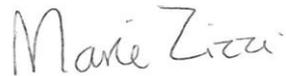
You referred to this decision being based on the opinion of your Health and Safety Manager, therefore I have been asked to request a copy of the risk assessment which supports this stance please as well as a copy of the Health & Safety Plan prepared in accordance with the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 1994.

Members feel that it is difficult to understand how the risk to the relatively small number of existing occupants of your development will be reduced to a level which justifies the significantly increased risk to residents and users of Coppice Walk.

In relation to the statement that access will be limited to the period between 9am and 3pm in order to avoid peak periods as well as not compromising the "school run", it is felt that you are misinformed about the current school times.

This decision must be reconsidered before a change of access is allowed. The Parish Council has also written to SMBC about this.

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marie Zizzi".

Marie Zizzi
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