

10 October 2025

For the Attention of Planning Officer Matt Preece
Solihull Council
By email only.

Dear Matt

PL/2024/00975/PPFL ERECTION OF 26 RESIDENTIAL DWELLINGS (USE CLASS C3) WITH ASSOCIATED PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND INFRASTRUCTURE. LAND OFF LAPWING DRIVE, HAMPTON IN ARDEN, SOLIHULL B91

The Parish Council has two points we wish to make relating to the above application and these are detailed below: -

1. Landscape Masterplan: There seems to be an absence of street tree planting at the lower end of the development which appears to be against the requirements of the NPPF Feb 25 P.136: *"Trees make an important contribution to the character and quality of urban environments and can also help mitigate and adapt to climate change. Planning policies and decisions should ensure that new streets are tree-lined"*; and
2. Public Rights of Way Plan: The plan shows the footpath being re-routed using new highway footpaths for much of the footpath's length. This is a well-used path and there is some local concern that the re-routing urbanises a current rural path and query whether this is necessary or what could be done to maintain the status quo.

We look forward to hearing from you further.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Julie Barnes'.

Julie Barnes
Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer for
Hampton in Arden Parish Council