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Sent: 02 October 2014 08:18
To: Stephen Kilmartin

**Cc:** planning; ENV LHS Customer Service

**Subject:** 3/2014/0614 Three Millstones Inn, Waddington Road, West Bradford.

Dear Stephen,

As noted in my email dated 24 June 2014, attached to the transport statement, I have already accepted the parking layout and amount of parking proposed.

The outstanding issue is the width of the access. I would ask for the width of the access to be reduced as previously requested in the 24 June email. The developer has altered the access to a width of about 9m, with a sweeping curve onto Waddington Road formed by bollards. I consider the access shown on the site layout is too wide and the geometry of the access together with the line of bollards is inappropriate.

A reduction in width of the access would have the following benefits and would improved highway safety for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists:

- A wide access as shown encourages higher vehicle speeds on access and egress, and conversely
  a narrower access would tend to encourage drivers to drive more carefully.
- The poor visibility to the left on egress would be improved.
- Pedestrians would not be as exposed walking across a narrower access.
- A narrower access would reduce the possibility of vehicles hesitating on the highway whilst waiting for a pedestrian to complete the transit across the access.

I am not aware of any reason offered by the developer as to why the access should not be reduced in width as requested.

I consider that the request to reduce the width of the access is reasonable and proportionate to the development proposed. I would have an objection to this development on highway safety grounds if the access width is not reduced.

Regards.

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