

PLANNING APPLICATION COMMENT

FROM: BROCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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INFORMATION**

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Brockley Parish Council has studied the additional information and wishes to make the following comments.

Our comments are restricted to Application Support Info Section 7-Transport.

We acknowledge that a considerable amount of work has been done using sophisticated analytical techniques to predict the effect of an increase to 12 million passengers per annum, however, because the increase in traffic using Brockley Combe is considered insignificant, no analysis has been performed of the effect on small roads in the Brockley / Chelvey area.

Paragraph 10.3.6 application support info, section 7 (part 5) states:

The Development Proposals result in an additional vehicle every 3 minutes at the signalised crossroad A370 / Brockley Combe Road / Brockley Lane Junction (Junction 9) in the afternoon and evening peak hour, which relates to 1 additional vehicle every 2 signal cycles. Clearly this minimal impact falls well within day to day vehicle flow variation. The impact is therefore not considered to be severe in accordance with the NPPF and no further assessment is required at this junction.

Assuming an increase in traffic in line with the increase in passenger numbers, there will be a 40% increase in the airport element of the traffic through Brockley and Chelvey from the present situation of 8.5 million to the anticipated 12 million passengers per annum in the absence of mitigation. However this is far from insignificant and is not reflected in the predicted increase in traffic through either the A 370 junction with Brockley Combe (reference junction 9) nor the A370 junction with Dark Lane and Station Road (junction 10) where a 20% increase in the airport element of total traffic based on 10 million passengers, would be expected.

It is our contention that a survey of the traffic using Brockley Lane and Chelvey Road needs to be undertaken to determine an accurate baseline number for the airport element of the present traffic and only then can the likely effect of an increase in passenger numbers to 12 million per annum be determined.

It is likely that the increase in passenger numbers being proposed will exacerbate the present situation, where vehicles frequently need to reverse considerable distances when encountering tractors etc. and this situation cannot be dismissed as insignificant.