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Dr James Walsh
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Dear Dr Walsh,

Thank you for your letter regarding the strategic issues raised at the last JEAAC meeting

With regards your question in relation to parking standards for new developments, I can confirm that officers are currently undertaking a review of the County's Parking Standards to ensure that they are up to date and fit for purpose. This work is consisting of a review of the existing standards and sourcing background evidence and guidance to support the potential development of new standards. This review is still taking place prior to any decision on any updated parking standards being made.

From liaising with officers who were present at the last JEAAC Highways & Transport Sub-group I understand that concerns were raised by members in relation to road widths in new developments and this causing access issues. Officers are not aware of any intentions by Government to review or amend guidance contained within the Department for Transport (DfT) produced Manual for Streets; relating to acceptable road widths. Officers will however, through the assessment of planning applications, ensure that appropriate widths of carriageway are provided in line with relevant guidance and seek to ensure appropriate levels of car parking are proposed; to limit overspill car parking which has at times further reduced the available carriageway width in new developments.

With respect to your concerns regarding the slip road to East Preston on the A259/A280 roundabout; you will have gathered from the Project Manager's (Tony Bathmaker) update that there are challenges related to incorporating this in the final scheme. Tony had suggested meeting with East Preston Parish to explain this, but the consensus was that it should wait for the JEACC meeting to be held and concluded. He will now arrange this meeting and ensure you are also invited.

I hope the above information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob Lanzer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter "z".

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