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Dear Mark

**Location – Land between Woodchurch Road and Appledore Road, Tenterden**

**Proposal – a) outline application for the development of up to 250 residential dwelling (40% affordable) including the creation of access point from Appledore Road (all Modes) and Woodchurch Road (pedestrian and cycle only) and creation of a network of roads, footways and cycleways through the site. Provision of open space including children’s play areas, community orchards, sustainable urban drainage systems, landscape buffers and green links all on 12.35 ha of the site. (Matters for approval : Access) b) Full planning permission for the change of land use from agricultural land to land to be used as a country park (8.66 ha) and land to be used as formal sports pitches (3.33ha) together with pavilion to serve the proposal and the surrounding area, including accesses, ancillary parking, pathways, sustainable urban drainage systems and associated landscaping.**

Thank you for the consultation letter regarding the above application **19/01788/AS**. Public Footpath AB12 would be directly affected by the proposed development. The location of the path is indicated on the attached extract of the Network Map. The Network Map is a working copy of the Definitive Map. The existence of the Public Right of Way (PROW) is a material consideration.

KCC PROW have no comment to make on this consultation of the “Footpaths and Circulation Information” as it accurately reflects the discussions and agreement between ourselves and Wates Developments.

We have also been in discussion with our colleagues in KCC Highways regarding the access of Public Footpath AB12 onto Appledore Road. KCC PROW would propose demarcation of a 2m width of the route between Appledore Road and the developer site boundary (currently where gate is positioned) to ensure the pedestrian access is clear and away from the main vehicular access onto the development. We would suggest a tarmac or block paving surface, together with appropriate bollards to discourage private car parking across the route of the Footpath.

**This response is made on behalf of Kent County Council Public Rights of Way and Access Service. The views expressed should be considered only as the response of the County Council in respect of Public Rights of Way and Countryside Access matters relating to the application.**

Yours sincerely

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