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Stuart,

Thank you for your email and apologies for the time taken to come back to you.

I appreciate you highlighting previous comments made in relation to the draft site allocations. The improvements at Hassocks have been costed at £150,000 (updated) and therefore, based on a fair and reasonable proportional distribution of the total costs on a per dwelling basis, we request a contribution of £5,555 index linked from the application. We expect that this requested contribution would be in addition to any contributions requested from WSCC regarding improving cycling and walking routes from the development towards Hassocks station.

Kind Regards,  
Craig



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Dear Jasmine

Thanks for these comments.

However, please could you also confirm what the required sum will be for this scheme to contribute towards some identified improvements at Hassocks Railway Station. This current application for 27 units is on one of five proposed site allocations around Sayers Common that are earmarked for development in the Council's District Plan Review – although this is not currently formal policy. There is an expectation from the draft allocation policies that each of these sites will make financial contributions towards the provision of “improvements at Hassocks Railway Station”. In response to questions from our planning policy team around likely contributions, correspondence from your colleague Craig Hatton (also CC'd) on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 set out that:

*“Having considered current facilities and opportunities that need addressing, Network Rail have determined that there is scope to improve the existing cycle storage and access to these at Hassocks, Haywards Heath and Burgess Hill stations. Initial costings suggest that these improvements would be up to £100,000. We would request that this sum is included within the IDP and could be secured from development in close proximity to these stations. I can provide further information as and when the Plan evolves and Network Rail would like to continue to work with the Council to assist in the preparation of the Plan where appropriate.”*

Please could you therefore confirm that this project for the station improvements is still a proposed development and what the latest cost estimates are for it. It can then be established what the specific contribution requirement from this particular planning application will be.

Many thanks

Stuart

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FAO: Stuart Malcolm

Dear Planning,

**Network Rail Consultation Response: DM/25/1434 - Land Rear Of Chesapeake Reeds Lane Sayers Common Hassocks**

Thank you for consulting Network Rail on the above planning application.

Following a review of the application, I can confirm that Network Rail have no comments to make on the proposal.

Thanks,

Jasmine.



**Jasmine Bowring** ([they/them](#))

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