

Proposed New Entrance and Farm Drive at Radwell Bury Farm

Up until the 1960's Radwell Bury Farm had it's own access from the A507/North Road, 100m south of 'Radwell Lane'.

When the A1(M) was constructed in the 1960's this farm entrance was closed off and Highways funded the widening of an access to the farm via Radwell Lane but in the middle of the village. This has served the farm well for the most part, but as farm machinery and goods vehicles have grown in size, this has presented increasing challenges as vehicles have to pass through the narrow Radwell Lane in order to reach the farm.

A new entrance is proposed leaving Radwell Lane just west of the motorway bridge on the south side of the lane. This is to the east of the village of Radwell.

A Topographical survey has been carried out and the correct vision splays incorporated into the design of the bell mouth. The farm drive would then run parallel to the A1(M) before turning west to enter the farm buildings at the SE corner of the Bury Farm Buildings site. The Proposed drive is to be constructed of concrete on a rolled, dense chalk base, the underlying subsoil being dense chalk or Melbourne Rock.

After discussions with the Radwell Parish Council, it has been suggested that the new entrance could be used as a turning point for the local bus and a potential bus stop. We have no objection to this proposal.

The Proposed Entrance would also include a security gate which could be set back from Radwell Lane to accommodate the above proposal.

The proposed entrance would necessitate the removal of one medium size lime tree adjacent to Radwell Lane. There is also a medium size beech tree which may need to be removed. It is proposed to compensate for these by planting several new trees adjacent to the proposed drive.