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PROPOSED COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT S278 WORKS

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report results from a Stage 2 Road Safety Audit (RSA) carried out on the proposed S278 Works associated with a commercial development east of Pixmore Avenue, Letchworth.
- 1.2 The highway proposals include a new priority access junction with associated dropped kerbs and tactile paving for a commercial development comprising four units.
- 1.3 A previous Stage 1 has not been undertaken/provided to the Audit Team.
- 1.4 The Road Safety Audit Brief was supplied by the Design Organisation. The overseeing organisation is Hertfordshire County Council. The RSA Brief was accepted by the Audit Team as adequate to complete the RSA.
- 1.5 The Audit was carried out between 19th and 20th May 2025 by consultants working on behalf of The Safety Forum Limited. The Audit Team, which is established from The Safety Forum Ltd and independent of the project design team, has had no involvement with the project.

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- 1.6 The report has been prepared in accordance with General Principles and Scheme Governance General Information, GG 119, Road Safety Audit (Formerly HD 19/15).
- 1.7 The Audit consisted of a desktop study and a site visit. The site visit was carried out on 28th March 2025, between 15:00 and 15:45 hours by all members of the Audit Team together. The weather was hot and sunny, and the road surface was dry. Traffic conditions were light. Two pedestrians and no cyclists were observed during the site visit.

- 1.8 Issues relating to the health & safety of operatives constructing, operating or maintaining the highway are not covered by Road Safety Audit. Only issues relating to the design and construction of facilities for highway maintenance that may potentially contribute to a Road Safety Matter are considered by the Road Safety Audit process.

Road Safety Audit is not a technical check that the design conforms to Standards and/or best practice guidance. Design Organisations are responsible for ensuring that their designs have been subjected to the appropriate design reviews (including, where applicable, Walking, Cycling & Horse Riding Assessment & Review) prior to Road Safety Audit.

Road Safety Audit is not a check that the scheme has been constructed in accordance with the design.

Whilst reference is made to certain design standards, where safety may be compromised by a reduction in standard, this report is not intended to provide a design check. The Auditors have only reported on matters that might have an adverse effect on road safety in the context of the chosen design. No attempt has been made to comment on the justification of the scheme or the appropriateness of the design. Consequently, the Auditors accept no responsibility for the design or construction of the scheme.

- 1.9 The recommendations in this report are aimed at addressing the road safety problems; however there may be other alternative acceptable ways to overcome a specific problem, when other practical issues are considered. The recommendations contained herein do not absolve the Designer of his/her responsibilities.
- 1.10 The Overseeing Organisation response to the RSA should be formally recorded and reported to the Designer and the RSA Team so that a record of the Audit process is contained in the *As Built* design pack to be provided and retained by the Overseeing Organisation on final completion.
- 1.11 All problems identified in this Road Safety Audit Report are indicated on a location plan in Appendix A.

2.0 ITEMS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 The Road Safety Audit was undertaken on the scheme detailed in the following documentation.

Drawing No.	Rev	Title
11428-CAL-XX-XX-DR-D-0400	P1	Vehicle Tracking Sheet 1 of 3 Fire Tender - IN
11428-CAL-XX-XX-DR-D-0410	P1	Vehicle Tracking Sheet 2 of 3 7.5 Tn Delivery Vehicle - IN
11428-CAL-XX-XX-DR-D-0420	P1	Vehicle Tracking Sheet 3 of 3 13/18 Tn Delivery Vehicle - IN
11428-CAL-XX-XX-DR-D-0500	P2	External Works Plan
11428-CAL-XX-XX-DR-D-0600	P1	External Levels Plan

- 2.2 No departure from standards or other information was submitted to the Audit Team.
- 2.3 During the site visit it was noted that the proposed access is sited slightly north of the existing/original access junction. The existing dropped kerbs serving the original site access are still present to the south of new access junction and should be replaced as part of the S278 highway works.

3.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS STAGE 1 AUDIT.

- 3.1 A previous Stage 1 Road Safety Audit has not been undertaken/provided to the Audit Team.

4.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM THIS STAGE 2 AUDIT.

4.1 No Safety related problems identified at this Stage 2 Road Safety Audit.

5.0 AUDIT TEAM STATEMENT

5.1 We certify that this audit has been carried out in accordance with GG 119.

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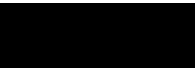
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APPENDIX A: LOCATION PLAN

