Dear Ms Burden

Thank you for your letter of 20 May 2019. Please find below and attached the response of the Qualifying Body to matters raised. Please do not hesitate to contact us for further clarification.

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| Can I clarify that Question 18B refers to the second paragraph of TA4, and the statement "and where possible, existing footpaths, bridle ways and permissive routes will be upgraded to facilitate these school routes". Is the intention to seek contributions from developers to the upgrade of these existing routes? Would this accord with paragraph 56 of the NPPF? | We consider the second paragraph of policy TA4 to meet the key tests for planning obligations in paragraph 56 of the NPPF:  
- necessary to make the development acceptable: The contributions would ensure that key routes are suitable to provide access for residents to the local schools. The opportunity to encourage residents to use sustainable modes to travel to school is considered crucial in ensuring the acceptability of the development.  
- directly related to the development: Contributions should only be sought for improvements to routes which are directly related to a site and connect it with local schools or form a crucial part of the network linking the site and these facilities.  
- fairly and reasonably related in scale and kind to the |
Development: Contributions sought should be proportionate to the scale and kind of development, it may be that this needs to be more clearly articulated within the policy.

| With regard to Question 20 and the proposed Local Green Spaces 34 and 35. Do these follow the route of a public right of way? | Proposed Local Green Space 34 is made up of a designated footpath (public right of way) and the adjacent copse and hedgerows. Proposed Local Green Space 35 is made up of a designated bridleway (public right of way) and the adjacent hedgerows. |

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