

**FAO:** Nick Woollett, Southborough and High Brooms Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

**Your ref:** Southborough & High Brooms Neighbourhood Development Plan (Reg.14)  
Consultation

**Our ref:** NH/24/09129

Dear Nick,

Thank you for your email of 8 December 2024 consulting National Highways on the pre-submission version (Regulation 14) of the Southborough and High Brooms Neighbourhood Development Plan (SHBNDP).

We are concerned about the safety, reliability, and operational efficiency of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). In the case of Southborough and High Brooms this is the A21.

We have read the SHBNDP.

We understand that the draft strategic policies in the submitted Tunbridge Wells Local Plan and the evidence sitting behind them has been used to inform the SHBNDP. We have engaged with the preparation and examination of the Local Plan.

Furthermore, we understand that the SHBNDP does not allocate sites for housing, given the context of the policies in the submitted Local Plan which seeks to allocate approximately 42 new dwellings in the parish.

Given this, our formal response to this consultation is **no objection**.

Should you or any others have any queries regarding our response, please contact us via [planningse@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:planningse@nationalhighways.co.uk).

Kind regards,

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