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Dear Consultee,

**Consultation on a proposal to stop up of part of Public Footpath No. 12, Sawston and Public Footpath No. 9 Babraham and replace it with a Public Bridleway with two Public Footpath connections**

Cambridgeshire County Council has received an application, on behalf of South Cambridgeshire District Council, from Redrow Homes to stop up part of Public Footpath No. 12, Sawston and Public Footpath No. 9, Babraham under section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The application is pursuant to planning permission reference 21/03955/FUL South Cambridgeshire District Council to build 280 dwellings on land south of Babraham Road in Sawston.

The proposal seeks to stop up the existing cross-field public footpaths (between points A-B-C on the attached plan) and replace them with a public bridleway running around the perimeter of the site from Church Lane (point D) through to Sawston Road (point M). Part of Public Footpath No. 14, Sawston along the southern perimeter of the site, between points D and F, is proposed to be upgraded to bridleway status. The existing connection to Public Footpath No. 2, Pampisford will be retained at point F, in addition to a new Public Footpath connection between points G and H and a replacement Public Footpath connection to Public Footpath No. 1, Pampisford between points K and C.

The majority of the new replacement Public Rights of Way to be created, including the footpath connections, will be comprised of 4 metres of a hoggin surfaced path between timber edgings. Between points D and E the bridleway is proposed to have a 4 metre wide tarmac surface between concrete edgings and made up to a standard suitable for adoption by the County Council.

The legal width of the replacement bridleway and footpath connections shall be 4 metres. No limiting structures, such as gates, are proposed on the new public rights of way.

It is considered that the proposals will simultaneously enhance the non-motorised accessibility of the development and enhance wider rights of way connectivity in the Sawston, Babraham and the Pampisford area.

I would be grateful if I could receive any comments you wish to make on the proposals by **30<sup>th</sup> September 2022**.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ruzala', written in a cursive style.

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