Deputation Submitted by Councillor Francis

I strongly support the creation of the reservoir. With global warming it will be needed in the future. The plans should create a lovely country park and nature reserve.

I raised a number of concerns in my original comments on the Planning Application and I am pleased to report that the case officer has addressed many of these by requiring planning conditions. I think he has done a good job on his report. However some issues which I raised have not yet been addressed and require further action.

The Site Management Plan which is to be secured by a S106 legal agreement (see page 107) should be required to detail how anti-social behaviour will be managed and addressed. The police response referred to this to remove their objection (see page 37 and 135).

The Southern Access Road plan is in outline and the dimensions are not fixed by this permission. Before a reserved matters application is submitted there should be work with the applicant to develop a narrower southern access route with passing places, more in line with the design for the design for the northern access, which is narrower, even though it is the main access for the construction (HGVs) and operation of the site. A narrower southern road would slow down the traffic and help to maintain the rural character.

Measures are needed to control off road motorcycle access across the site, especially from Swanmore Road, where this is a major problem already. A horse/cycle friendly barrier is to be provided in Rowlands Castle and one should be provided as soon as possible at the bridleway 121 entrance northeast of Swanmore Road..

With reference to keeping the supervised activities for children open, such as canoeing, it would be helpful if the visitor centre should be sited on land so that it can easily be extended in the future, should that prove necessary.

I would like to endorse the deputation by Tracey Viney and commend it to you for action.

Beryl Francis

Councillor for Warren Park Ward