

Speeding/Heavy traffic on the R402 and congested entrance to Millbrook Grove – Being located right next to the entrance of Millbrook Grove I am concerned at the high volume of traffic which already uses the current entrance. This entrance is also used as a parking area and drop off point for school parents whose children are attending St. Shinchills Primary School which is located adjacent to No. 1 Millbrook Grove. Allied to this the road is not very well resourced in terms of catering for child safety. Although the speed limit is registered at 50km/hr on the R402 (serving Millbrook Grove) the reality is most drivers do not adjust their speed when arriving into the village from this side. This is most certainly an ongoing concern for those of us living directly beside the R402. Currently there are no illuminated pedestrian crossings outside of the primary school (a school with an attending student population of 279 students) nor speed bumps of any description to help with this major concern. Although the road has been resurfaced recently (with associated “slow down” road markings) our experience is that the speed of traffic has not been reduced whatsoever. Therefore increasing the number of vehicles using this road and indeed entering the single entrance into Millbrook Grove in its current state is something which must be considered in terms of any later development on this site.

Flood risk assessment – Our house [REDACTED] is situated in a low lying position within the development. This has caused great concern for us in recent years as on 2 occasions (December 2015 and January 2020) we have had to use sandbags at our front gate to prevent flooding on our property. On both occasions heavy rain over a very short period of time caused almost instant flooding outside of our property. This seems to have occurred because the drainage pipe used to take water away from the development is not large enough and therefore could not take the large volume of water all at once. As far as I am aware this pipe is still in situ across the road from the front entrance of No.2 Millbrook Grove. I note also that the architect for the development has referenced that the council has carried out works recently to “resolve any issues”. However, this work was done in the summer of 2020 and as of yet we have not had heavy rain which might suggest how effective these works have been. Any consideration for future development must be cognisant of an accurate flood risk assessment in light of the recent works which have been reported to have taken place.

