Planning Policy and Regeneration – Wollaston
Neighbourhood Plan
Borough Council of Wellingborough
Swanspool House
Doddington Road
Wellingborough
NN8 1BP

Please ask for:	Esme Cushing
Tel:	01604 364475
Our ref:	
Your ref:	
Date:	15 December 2015

Dear Victoria,

Thank you for consulting Northamptonshire County Council Highways on the Submission Version of the Wollaston Neighbourhood Plan.

We welcome the changes that have been made in light of our previous consultation response on the draft version of the plan. Paragraphs 4.44 and 4.45 refer to the barriers to walking and cycling. As outlined in our consultation response to the draft version of the plan, the plan could still be strengthened further by giving further details about other known missing walking and cycling links.

Paragraph 4.39 is a new paragraph in the plan. It is felt that it would be worth giving a bit more flexibility around when parking levels are considered to be at capacity as they will be influenced by the nature of the road layout for on-carriageway parking and layout of car-park for off-road parking. Higher occupancy rates can result in double parking, waiting in traffic lanes and slowly searching for parking impacting on the local highway network. It is suggested that inserting the word 'around' before '85%' would give greater flexibility.

We note that Policy DC1 does not make any reference to funding the transport improvements identified in Policy T3 from any future CIL receipts received, however paragraph 4.46 commits the parish council to providing cycling parking. If the intention is to use future CIL receipts for this and other projects such as the dedicated cycle route between Irchester and Wollaston, then we would welcome Policy DC1 being revised to reflect this.

Yours sincerely,

E. Cushing

Esme Cushing
Principal Transport Planner

Northamptonshire
County Council