Dear Sir / Madam,

The County Council provides the following technical comments in its capacity as the local Highway Authority and Lead Local Flood Authority.

**Highway Authority**

These comments are based on the previous comments that the County Council provided on the draft submission version in July 2019 (attached for reference).

**HD6 – Design of New Developments**

Although the scale of development within Chilbolton is likely to be small i.e. max of 5 units, the Highway Authority would still recommend that new developments are supported by a transport assessment of an appropriate scale to demonstrate that safe access can be provided and that the impact of the development on the local highway network can be mitigated. Development proposals should also be looking to enhance and or make connections to the extensive rights of way network in / around the village to make provision for the use of sustainable modes of transport for local journeys within the village.

**HD7 – Parking within the curtilage**

As previously stated the County Council consider that the Parking standards proposed in this policy can be considered excessive.

**Lead Local Flood Authority**

The County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority have the following comments in regard to surface water management and flood risk as it pertains to the Chilbolton Neighbourhood Plan:

The County Council is pleased to see the Community aspiration section on flooding that describes an intended improvement in community communications with riparian owners regarding their responsibilities. This statement is welcomed.

On page 34 of the document, there is reference to ‘surface flooding’ (first sentence). The County Council would recommend that this is amended to ‘surface water flooding’ which is the recognised term.

A weblink to the Village Emergency Plan would also be useful on page 34 of the document. The County Council would also recommend a weblink to the Test Valley Borough Council Strategic Flood Risk Assessment would be useful in this section.
Page 34 references properties in ‘the EA flood warning area’. This sentence needs to be more specific regarding what type of flooding it is referring to – is it groundwater flooding or fluvial flooding? If the Neighbourhood Plan is referring to fluvial flooding, it is recommended that the Neighbourhood Plan confirms which EA flood zones (2 or 3) this refers to.

It is also worth noting that when property occupiers move, the statement regarding connectivity to the flood warning system may no longer be accurate. This could potentially be a role for the Flood Action Group to keep the connectivity to the flood warning system updated.

The County Council also recommend that it would be beneficial to see more detail on Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) in developments (briefly referenced in Policy HD7 and in CIO09). It is recommended that the following text could be incorporated ‘in line with best practice and the Ciria SuDS manual and the Lead Local Flood Authority’s Flood and Water Management policies.

Although a minor issue the County Council take this opportunity to also note that there is still some inconsistency within the document in the use of the terms ‘groundwater’ vs ‘groundwater’. It is recommended that a consistent approach to the use of this word is applied.

If you have any questions then please do not hesitate to get in touch with me in the first instance.

Neil Massie BSc (Hons) MSc  
Principal Planning Policy Officer  
Strategic Planning  
First Floor, Ell Court West,  
The Castle, Winchester SO23 8UD

Hampshire Services offers a range of professional consultancy services to partner organisations. 
For more information go to www.hants.gov.uk/sharedexpertise
Dear Sir / Madam,

Please find the comments of Hampshire County Council as the local Highway Authority on the Chilbolton Neighbourhood Plan:

The Neighbourhood Plan (NP) should reference, HCC Local Transport Plan and Walking and Cycling Strategies.

HD6 – HCC would recommend that the NP state that new developments should be supported by a Transport Statement / Assessment and Travel Plan to demonstrate that safe access can be provided and that the impact on the development on the local highway network can be mitigated. Any development proposals should look to enhance and or make connections to the extensive rights of way network in / around the village and make provision for the use of sustainable modes of transport for local journeys within the village itself.

HD7 – HCC consider that the Parking standards proposed may be considered excessive.

CI2 – HCC recommend that charging points in the village should be located so as not to cause an obstruction to the operation and safety of the local highway network and other road users.

CI4 – HCC support this objective.
HCC would encourage the parish to find suitable temporary parking arrangement for the summer months when visitors are drawn to the area. The parish may wish to consider participating in Community Speed Watch initiative or look into purchasing temporary SIDS to improve compliance with the 20mph speed limit through the village.

CI5 – HCC support this objective.

Community Projects and Aspirations
The parish may wish to consider applying to the HCC Community Funded Infrastructure Initiative as a means of delivering an enhanced village entrance / gateway. The County Council understand that the Traffic Management team have briefed the Parish on this previously.

Hopefully all is self-explanatory. If, however, you require any further clarification or information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Neil Massie BSc (Hons) MSc
Principal Planning Policy Officer
Strategic Planning
First Floor, Ell Court West,
The Castle, Winchester SO23 8UD