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County Councillor, Surrey County Council

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By email: matt.furniss@surreycc.gov.uk
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Ref: CC03655

Dear Matt

Re: Urgent Road Safety Concerns on Meath Green Lane, RH6 8

In June 2025, I wrote to you along with local Horley Town Councillors, to highlight multiple enquiries from residents, concerned about road safety at the, then newly opened, junction between Meath Green Lane, Webber Street, and Hoadley Road. We drew attention to the inadequate signage and poor sight lines combined with excessive speed and attempted (illegal) left/right turns at the junction and asked what steps Surrey County Council proposed to monitor and improve road safety at this junction. We further asked the council to undertake a review of traffic flows in and around Meath Green Lane, Lee Street and the Westvale Park and requested a meeting between us and including representatives from Horley Town Council, Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, and Surrey Police to review road safety in this newly developed area of Horley?

In your reply dated 7th July 2025 you noted that Surrey Highways:

- Prioritise schemes that will make the biggest difference to reducing the number and severity of personal injuries on our roads;
- A stage 3 safety audit was conducted at this junction just after construction was completed some years back. It has been requested that this is repeated for this section and the easternmost section of the development – I understand that this second safety audit has now been conducted, and recommendations sent to the developer consortium who remain responsible for maintaining the junction infrastructure ahead of highways adoption by the council; and
- Safety of the junction will continue to be monitored, and other solutions may have to be considered in the future so that there is good compliance with the Setting Local Speed Limits Policy.

My office has received notice of at least seven serious road traffic incidents at this location, including at least four where Surrey Fire and Rescue's attendance was required. This now includes two serious incidents in the past 24 hours. I am thankful that no one has, yet, been killed at this junction.

I now urge Surrey Highways to look again at road safety on this junction as an urgent priority and to respond to the following points:

- What immediate actions is the department taking to ensure vehicle and pedestrian safety at this location which has quickly become a road traffic accident hotspot;
- Please publish in full the original Stage 3 Road Safety Audit issued before the junction was opened and the second Stage 3 (works open to traffic) Audit carried out in September 2025;

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- Is this junction is now a “priority scheme” as referred in your earlier email;
- What ‘other’ solutions, referred in your earlier email, is Surrey Highways planning at this junction? Have Horley Town Council’s request for a change in priority at the junction been fully considered or, following numerous incidents, installation of traffic lights?
- Will you now agree to meet with me, representatives from Horley Town Council, Reigate and Banstead Borough Council, and Surrey Police to review road safety in this newly developed area of Horley?

I look forward to your early reply.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Coghlan".

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