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**ITEM 3a - 23/00530/OUTMAJ - Outline application for the erection of up to 16 no. dwellings, with all matters reserved except for access**

**The recommendation remains as per the original report.**

Lancashire County Council Highway Services have provided a response to the Committee's request for clarification in relation to pedestrian safety. The full response is public on the planning file.

In conclusion it is LCC Highways opinion that the pedestrian route from the proposed development to the West Way Sports Hub is a more attractive route to and from the proposed vehicle access, in terms of walking distance.

The walking distance to the sports hub from the proposed pedestrian link is a more attractive route to walk in terms of pedestrian infrastructure and would be most likely to be perceived as safer.

The number of pedestrian movements this route would generate in LCC Highways opinion would be small due to the type of facilities provided at the sports hub i.e., no gym or swimming pool.

As the proposed pedestrian link would provide a more attractive and safer route to the destinations (in LCC Highways opinion) that would generate the most pedestrian trips, plus providing a safe and year-round useable route to the sports hub. It is LCC Highways opinion that the proposed pedestrian link is acceptable in highway terms.