WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Marie O'Keeffe
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	31/03/2025
LOCATION:	14 Halewick Close, Sompting, BN15 0NF
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0335/25 Application for variation of condition 7: (electric vehicle charging point) of approved AWDM/1458/19 to relocate parking space and EV charging point ORIGINAL DESCRIPTION: Construction of attached 3 bedroom two-storey dwelling to west elevation
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	N/A

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals.

This application seeks the variation of Condition 7 of approved application AWDM/1458/19 to allow for a relocation of the approved car parking space and EV charging point.

A new vehicle crossover (VCO) is proposed to facilitate access to the relocated parking area. From inspection of WSCC mapping, there are no apparent visibility concerns with the proposed point of access on to the highway. The proposed parking area appears of sufficient size to accommodate two off-street car parking spaces.

The proposed access works will be subject to a licence obtained through the local WSCC Highway Area Office and constructed to a specification agreed with the local WSCC Highway Area Engineer.

I should note that under current Area Office policy, licences are not granted for second access points for a single property. No details have been provided regarding the use of the existing access, or which property this will serve. If both the existing and proposed accesses are proposed to serve 14 Halewick Close, a licence for the works may be refused. The applicant may need to clarify the proposed access arrangements with WSCC when applying for a licence.

In summary, the LHA does not consider that this proposal would have an unacceptable impact on highway safety or result in 'severe' cumulative impacts on the operation of the highway network, therefore is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 116), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

If the LPA are minded to approve the application, the following informative should be applied:

Vehicle Crossover – Minor Highway Works
The applicant is advised that in addition to obtaining planning permission that they must also obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway. The granting of planning permission does not guarantee that a vehicle

crossover licence shall be granted because the highway license process considers wider factors than are considered by the Highway Authority at planning stage.

Additional information about the licence application process can be found at the following web page:

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-network-permits-and-licences/highway-licences/west-sussex-county-council-licences/dropped-kerbs-or-vehicle-crossovers-for-driveways/

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