WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Gary Peck
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	3 July 2024
LOCATION:	Foreshore East Of Beach Inspectors Office The Promenade Worthing West Sussex
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0745/24 Erection of a Ferris Wheel (retrospective). Application to Vary Condition 1 (Approved Plans) of previously approved AWDM/0752/21 to amend the hight from 33 metre high observation to a 44 metre high observation wheel until November 2024.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

WSCC in its role of Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted for highway safety, capacity and accessibility considerations. The LHA has commented on two previous applications at the site in 2019 under AWDM/0089/19 and AWDM/0752/21 to which this application partially refers.

Comments
The application will result in a small increase to the height of the observation wheel from 33 to 44 metres. The LHA acknowledge the sites sustainable travel mode options, there are a number of car parking facilities within the site's vicinity which are accessible. These include a mix of council and non-council off-street and multi storey car parks providing over 1000 spaces within 500m radius of the proposed site. There is also a high level of short stay on-street parking within 250m radius of the site, providing parking spaces for cars, buses and motorcycles. In terms of trip generation visitors to the site are likely to incorporate visiting the "Giant Wheel" when visiting other local facilities. It is therefore accepted that there is the potential for a proportion of linked trips which will be spread across the network.

Conclusion
Having regard for the previous two applications the LHA does not consider that this proposal would have 'severe' impact on the operation of the Highway network, therefore is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 115), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

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