

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Peter Barnett
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	18/08/2026
LOCATION:	21 Kings Walk, Shoreham-By-Sea
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0869/26 Demolition of existing garages. Proposed ground and first floor extensions together with alterations and extension of roof, including raising of the ridge, to form accommodation within the roofspace. New first floor balcony to front and inset terrace within roofspace at front. Elevations to be finished in buff brick and timber cladding; roof in standing seam metal.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

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

WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted on highway matters by the Local Planning Authority (LPA) for the above application. The site is located on Kings Walk, an unclassified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

The proposals seek a new vehicle crossover (VCO) fronting the site on Kings Walk, to facilitate access to a new off-street parking area. From inspection of WSCC mapping, there are no apparent visibility concerns with the proposed access point. The applicant is advised that the proposed access works will be subject to a licence obtained from WSCC, and that the VCO would be constructed to a specification agreed with a WSCC Highway Area Engineer – I attach a relevant informative note below.

The proposed off-street parking area will provide for two car parking spaces. On-site turning does not appear achievable, so cars may have to exit the site in reverse gear. However, this would not be anticipated to give rise to a highway safety concern, owing to good visibility either side of the proposed access, as well as good forward visibility along Kings Walk.

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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