WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Hannah Barker
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	11/09/2018
LOCATION:	42, First Avenue, Lancing, West Sussex, BN15 9QG
SUBJECT:	AWDM/1226/18 Vehicular crossover.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	☑ Advice ☐ Objection ☐ Modification ☐ No Objection ☐ More Information ☐ Refusal
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	£N/A

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals which include up to 5 residential units or extensions to single units accessed from roads that do not form part of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). As such the comments provided by Strategic Planning should be considered to be advice only, with respect to this planning application.

This proposal has been considered by means of a desktop study, using the information and plans submitted with this application, in conjunction with other available WSCC map information. A site visit can be arranged on request.

This proposal is for a vehicular crossover (VCO) to serve 42 First Avenue. First Avenue is a 'C' classified road, subject to a 30mph speed restriction in this location.

The Site Plan indicates that the proposed dropped kerb will be approximately 3.6m wide, a licence would be required to undertake the access works and the VCO must be constructed to a specification agreed with the Local Highway Engineer.

The Local Highway Authority (LHA) has reviewed data supplied to WSCC by Sussex Police over a period of the last five years. There have been no recorded injury accidents in the vicinity of the site. There is no evidence that the road, containing multiple similar situations to that proposed in this application, has been operating unsafely in this location or that the proposed vehicle VCO would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

From an inspection of the plans and WSCC mapping there is sufficient depth to accommodate a single car parking off-street on the frontage and the LHA do not anticipate that a car would overhang the footway in this location. A turn on site would be preferred however the limitations of the available space prohibit this. Furthermore, neighbouring properties have similar access arrangements without evidence of highway safety concern.

The LHA does not consider that the proposal would have 'severe' impact on the operation of the Highway network, therefore is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (Paragraph 109), 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 secured:

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. Additional information about the licence application process can be found at the following web page:
https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-licences/dropped-kerbs-or-crossovers-for-driveways-licence/
Online applications can be made at the link below, alternatively please call 01243 642105.
https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-licences/dropped-kerbs-or-crossovers-for-driveways-licence/vehicle-crossover-dropped-kerb-construction-application-form/

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