WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL **DATE: 16th October 2015**
STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTATION

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SUBJECT: **AWDM/1127/15 - Vehicular Crossover**

37, Mile Oak Road, Southwick, Brighton, West Sussex

RECOMMENDATION:

Advice	X	**Modification**		**More Information**	
Objection		**No Objection**		**Refusal**	

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.

The proposal is for a new vehicular crossover with access onto Mile Oak Road. From an inspection of the plans alone, there is no apparent visibility issue at the point of access onto Mile Oak Road.

The most recently available verified accident records reveal there have been no personal injury accidents in the vicinity of the proposal site relating to the manoeuvring into and out of accesses, indicating a low risk of highway safety issues with this proposal.

There are a number of dwellings with off-street parking on this stretch of Mile Oak Road. The hardstanding already exists, and has been laid down for many years, though there is no evidence available to suggest that vehicles have been mounting the kerb to make use of that hardstanding. It is also evident that the size of the hardstanding would not be large enough to meet West Sussex's minimum parking space size standards, however due to the fact that other neighbouring properties are be in a similar position, that requirement can be relaxed for this particular site.

It is also evident that there is a degree of on-street parking stress, indicated by the amount of damage to the verge on the opposite side of the road. Taking a car off-street would alleviate the through put of vehicles along Mile Oak Road.

WSCC does not wish to object to this proposal, and asks that the applicants make note of the informative below.

INFORMATIVE

The applicant is advised to contact the Community Highways Officer covering the respective area (01243 642105) to obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway.

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