WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Peter Barnett
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	4 November 2024
LOCATION:	Unit 1, 7 Kings Crescent Shoreham-By-Sea BN43 5LE
SUBJECT:	AWDM/1337/24 Proposed change of use from Business Use (Class E) to dog swimming and hydrotherapy centre (sui generis).
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	No Objection

West Sussex County Council (WSCC), in its capacity as Local Highway Authority (LHA), have been consulted on the above full planning application (AWDM/1337/24) to assess the highway safety and capacity implications of the proposed development. The application is supported by way of Planning Statement (PS) and associated plans.

The application site fronts onto Kings Crescent and is situated in a predominantly in a residential area on Shoreham beach. The building is currently vacant with the previous commercial use (Class E) occupied by a flooring company. The proposal is for the change of use from Class E (Business) to dog swimming and hydrotherapy centre (sui generis).

The applicant proposes no alterations to the existing access arrangements. There are no apparent visibility issues at the point of access onto Kings Crescent. An inspection of collision data provided to WSCC by Sussex Police from a period of the last five years reveals no recorded injury accidents within the vicinity of the site. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest the existing access is operating unsafely or that the proposal would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

The applicant proposes to retain the 4 nos. parking spaces at an area of hardstanding to the front of the development. Considering the existing use, the LHA do not anticipate that the proposed change of use would give rise to a significant material intensification of movements to or from the site; therefore, is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), paragraphs 114 -117, as revised December 2023. Hence, there are no transport grounds to resist this proposal.

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