WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL **DATE: 28/7/2010**
INFRASTRUCTURE CONSULTATION

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SUBJECT: **ADC/208/10**

199 Old Shoreham Road, Southwick

Vehicular access

CONSULTATION DATE: 6/7/2010

RECOMMENDATION:

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

S106 contribution: £ 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 Local Development 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 the construction of a new vehicular access onto the A270 Old Shoreham Road.

No visibility has been shown on the plans provided, and WSCC would require a plan showing the maximum achievable visibility from the proposed access point. This part of the A270 is subject to a 40mph speed restriction and therefore visibility from the access should be a minimum of 2.4x120m measured to the nearside carriageway in both directions. Any reduction in visibility should be justified by the Applicant as part of the application.

The access should be constructed to a highway specification, which is available from the Area Engineer, West Sussex County Council, Clapham Common, Clapham, Worthing, BN13 3UR, (Tel no: 01243 642105). The applicant is advised to contact the Area Engineer to obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway.

From an inspection of the plans it does not appear that there is sufficient room within the site to allow a vehicle to turn and exit onto the highway in a forward gear. However, WSCC acknowledges the fact that there are other accesses in this location which do not provide turning space, and the most recently available verified accident records reveal there have been no personal injury accidents in this location which are related to vehicles emerging unsafely from these accesses.

In summary, WSCC would require **more information** regarding visibility from the proposed access point to determine highway safety in this location.

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