**WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL** **DATE: 08/12/2017**
**PLANNING SERVICES CONSULTATION**

**FROM:** **Katie Kurek** **TO:** **Adur & Worthing Councils**
**FAO:** **Hannah Barker**

**SUBJECT:** **AWDM/1775/17 - Vehicular access on front boundary 2.95m wide with hardsurfacing in tarmac for parking in front garden.**

**87, Cross Road, Southwick, Brighton, West Sussex**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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

**S106 contribution total (see below for breakdown): £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 Planning Services 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 application seeks consent for vehicle crossover (VCO) on to Cross Road, a 'B' classified district distributor road subject to a 30 mph speed restriction in this location.

The property is served by an existing VCO which provides access to a garage and hardstanding fronting this. The additional VCO is proposed at the northern end of the site to enable an in/out access arrangement and additional hardstanding parking space on the frontage.

A license to construct the VCO would need to be obtained from the Adur Area Engineer. It should be noted that a licence at this location is unlikely to be granted; this area is subject to a policy that a licence would not be granted for a second crossover to any property, due to the existing parking pressures and the loss of on-street parking provision for neighbouring residents. It is recommended that the LPA consider the amenity impact of the proposed development should permission be granted.

The LHA acknowledge the Area Office's guidelines regards second accesses. Nevertheless, from a highway safety point of view the LHA could not substantiate grounds to resist the proposal. The potential loss of an on-street parking space would not cause a highway safety reason for refusal.

**INFORMATIVE**
The applicant is advised to contact WSCC Highways (01243 642105 or https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-licences/dropped-kerbs-or-crossovers-for-driveways-licence/) to obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway.

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