West Sussex County Council - Planning Consultation Response

To: Adur & Worthing Councils

Date: 19 November 2026

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From: WSCC - Highways Authority

LPA Reference: AWDM/1166/26

Location: Site Of 19 And 21

Salisbury Road

Worthing

West Sussex

Proposal: Change of use from convent (sui generis) to residential care accommodation (Class C2) with two-storey extension between buildings; rear covered walkway and single storey rear extension to connect to St Mary's Care home.

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 full planning application AWDM/1166/26 to assess the transport and highway implications of the proposed development. The application is supported by a Design and Access Statement (DAS) and associated plans.

Background and Site Context

The application buildings 19 and 21 are residential properties along the west side of Salisbury Road. The buildings were consented change of use from covenant to 2nos. detached dwellings (Class C3) under application ref: AWDM/0585/25. The development proposals are for change of use of these buildings from convent (sui generis) to residential care accommodation (Class C2) with two-storey extension between buildings; rear covered walkway and single storey rear extension to connect to St Mary's Care home.

Access and Parking Arrangement

The scheme proposes to retain the existing access into the home but the access from Salisbury Road will be suspended for residential purposes. Two additional car parking spaces will be provided, and three or four car parking spaces may be accommodated between the buildings for staff use only. Delivery and servicing will be carried out in line with the existing arrangement.

An inspection of collision data provided to WSCC by Sussex Police from a period of the last five years reveals no recorded incidents of personal injury immediately near to the proposed access points. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest the existing access is operating unsafely, or that the proposal would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

Conclusion

The Local Highway Authority (LHA) do not consider that this proposal would have an unacceptable impact on highway safety or result in 'severe' cumulative impacts on the operation of the highway network; therefore, is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), paragraphs TR1 – TR8, as revised August 2026. Therefore, there are no transport grounds to resist this proposal.

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