WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Peter Barnett
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	24/04/2024
LOCATION:	Unit 1 Bank House, Southwick Square, Southwick, BN42 4FH
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0401/24 Material alterations to the South and East elevations, including new windows and doors and provision of outside seating in connection with use as a cafe.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	£N/A

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals.

This application seeks alterations to building and provision of outside seating in connection with use as a café. The site is located on Southwick Square, a C-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

No vehicular access is associated with this site. The proposed use as a café is not anticipated to give rise to a significant material intensification of movements over the pre-existing banking use.

No vehicular parking is associated with this site and therefore, parking would have to be accommodated on-street or within nearby paid-for provision. The LHA would not anticipate that this would lead to a highway safety or parking capacity concern, given this is the existing arrangement. The site is sustainably located and well accessible on foot or by cycle.

The proposals include the placement of outdoor tables and chairs within maintained highway boundary. This would be subject to a separate application for a pavement licence obtained from Adur & Worthing Councils.

In summary, the LHA does 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 (paragraph 115), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

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