**WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL** **DATE: 20/12/2012**
**STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTATION**

**FROM: Ian Hayward** **TO: Adur & Worthing Councils**
**FAO: Joanne Sanderson**

**SUBJECT: AWDM/1463/12 - Vehicular access for parking in front garden.**

**33, Buckingham Road, Shoreham-By-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 5UA**

**CONSULTATION DATE:**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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

**S106 contribution: n/a**

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**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.

I refer to your consultation in respect of the above planning application and would provide the following comments.

This application seeks to install a dropped kerb access to serve 33 Buckingham Road Shoreham. Buckingham Road is 'C' classified and subject to a 30 mph speed limit at this point. Pedestrian footways are present and on street parking are prohibited due to double yellow lines.

From inspection of the plans, there appears to be no apparent visibility issue at the point of access onto Buckingham Road and the precedent of dropped kerb crossovers without a dedicated turn on site facility seems to have already been established in this location. It should however be noted that there has been one reported personal injury accident involving a car reversing across the footway to adjoin Buckingham Road approximately 85 metres from this site. Driver error was listed as a contributory factor on the accident record, with this information in mind I would advise pedestrian visibility splays being secured via condition, these should be 2 by 2 metres at each side of the access point and be kept free of all obstructions over 0.6 metres in height.

A 3.0 metre access width would be considered appropriate for a single dwelling access. The works on the highway for the new access must be agreed with the WSCC Community Highways Officer and carried out under licence. An area of bound hard standing should be provided within the site. The size of this area has not been stipulated within the documents provided; no concern would be raised providing the area measures a minimum of 2.4 x 5 metres to avoid any vehicle overhang onto the public footway.

No anticipated highway safety concerns. If the LPA are minded to grant planning consent we would ask that conditions securing the access and pedestrian visibility are secured via condition.

*Informative*
The applicant is advised to contact the Community Highways Officer (01243 642105) to obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway.

**Ian Hayward**
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