WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Tom Westerman
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	3 September 2025
LOCATION:	72 Reigate Road Worthing BN11 5NE
SUBJECT:	AWDM/1036/25 Vehicle access.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

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

This application is for the creation of a vehicle access. The site is located on Reigate Road, a C-classified road subject to a speed limit of 30mph.

The provided documents indicate that there is an existing block paved hardstanding area to the site frontage, which will be utilised for parking of one vehicle. The proposed access will be approximately 6m wide at the kerb which is within the West Sussex Area Engineer's permitted maximum width.

Visibility appears sufficient at the proposed access and splays are maintainable wholly within the public highway. The LHA would not raise any highway safety concerns to the proposal.

Conclusion
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 116), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

If the LPA are minded to approve the application, the following condition and informative should be applied:

Access (details approved)
The use of the hardstanding parking area shall not commence until such time as the vehicular access has been constructed in accordance with the approved site plan.
Reason: In the interests of road safety

Informative
Vehicle Crossover – Minor Highway Works
The applicant is advised that in addition to obtaining planning permission that they must also obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway. The granting of planning permission does not guarantee that a vehicle crossover licence shall be granted because the highway license process considers wider factors than are considered by the Highway Authority at planning stage.

Additional information about the licence application process can be found at the following web page:

https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-network-permits-and-licences/highway-licences/west-sussex-county-council-licences/dropped-kerbs-or-vehicle-crossovers-for-driveways/

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