

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Jackie Fox
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	14 June 2026
LOCATION:	3 Liverpool Gardens Worthing Central Worthing West Sussex
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0694/26 Change of use of part ground floor from office use (Use Class E) to a flexible commercial, business and office use (Use Class E) and/or education and training (Use Class F1(a))
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/0694/26 with regards to highway safety and capacity matters. The application is supported by a Planning Statement (PS) and associated plans.

The application buildings form part of 3 Liverpool Gardens, Worthing. The proposals are for change of use of 2 ground floor suites (Northeast and Northwest) from office use (Use Class E) to a flexible commercial, business and office use (Use Class E) and/or for the purposes of education and training (Use Class F1(a)). The buildings were previously occupied as offices but are currently vacant.

There are no changes to the existing pedestrian access from Liverpool Gardens and undercroft parking access primarily from Shelley Road. There is no change to the existing level of parking provision. Refuse and servicing arrangement will continue in line with the existing arrangement.

An inspection of data supplied to WSCC by Sussex Police over a period of the past five years reveals that there have been no recorded injury incidents immediately within the vicinity of the site access. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest that the existing access is operating unsafely, or that the proposal would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

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 114-117, as revised December 2024. Therefore, there are no transport grounds to resist this proposal.

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