WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Stephen Cantwell
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	2 July 2025
LOCATION:	Meeting Hall 1 Birkdale Road Worthing BN13 2QY
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0665/25 Change of use from children's day care to office and ancillary storage.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice / No Objection

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

The proposed use from a Children's day care facility to an administrative office for an Electrical Contractor business is unlikely to result in an increase in traffic utilising the local road network. There are 4 car parking spaces proposed within the site which will be utilised by administration staff.

It is likely the business operates a number of vehicles/vans which may have a need to visit the site. The site is located in a residential area and whilst there is on-street parking available it is likely that there is high demand for spaces at some times of day. The applicant has stated: 'It is anticipated that light commercial vehicles will access the site only for the incidental trips into the office. Parking on the site will serve administrative workers using the office space.' It is not clear as to the meaning of 'ancillary storage'. Does this mean, electrical components? Or a warehouse type function?

No objection in principle, to the change of use from Children's Nursery to Office, however there are some concerns over traffic generation in relation to visiting vans. It is appreciated that there may be a need for incidental trips and these should be kept at a minimum.

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