WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Peter Barnett
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	5 March 2024
LOCATION:	Car Park, Marks And Spencer, Holmbush Centre, Upper Shoreham Road, Shoreham-by-Sea
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0180/24 Works to car park including the installation of eight electric vehicle charging bays, six with their own dedicated charging unit and one pair sharing a charger, a substation enclosure, associated electrical equipment and a gabion retaining wall.
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 works to existing car park for the installation of eight EV charging bays, with associated infrastructure and equipment, within the Holmbush Centre Car Park.

WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) previously provided consultation advice for this site for similar application AWDM/0322/23, raising no highway safety concerns. The Local Planning Authority (LPA) permitted the application.

No alterations are proposed to the existing access arrangements. The proposed works are not anticipated to give rise to a material intensification of movements to or from the site.

The proposed EV bays will replace eight existing regular parking bays, and result in the loss of four existing parking bays. These works are not anticipated to give rise to an adverse highway safety impact or parking capacity issue in this location. From inspection of the plans, the proposed parking bays are suitably sized and on-site turning appears achievable.

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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