WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Jackie Fox
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	26 January 2024
LOCATION:	9 Allendale Avenue, Worthing, BN14 0AH
SUBJECT:	AWDM/0095/24 Erection of wooden cattery blocks, comprising of two blocks of 3 units each and conversion of existing wooden shed to one large family unit. Taking cattery from 10 pens total to 17.
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 the erection of wooden cattery blocks and conversion of existing shed, to increase cattery capacity from 10 pens to 17 pens. The site is located on Allendale Avenue, an unclassified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) provided consultation advice for the preceding application at this site (AWDM/1241/23), raising no highway safety concerns. This application was permitted by the Local Planning Authority (LPA).

From inspection of the submitted plans, there appears to be suitable space within the site to accommodate an appropriate amount of vehicular parking. Given the nature of the use as a cattery, the majority of trips associated with the site will mainly be for customers dropping off and picking up of their cats, and such movements are anticipated to be outside of network peak times. In addition, given the scale of the proposed expansion of the cattery, such a use is not anticipated to generate a significant number of movements.

An inspection of collision data provided to WSCC by Sussex Police from a period of the last five years reveals no recorded injury accidents within the vicinity of the site. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest the existing access point has been operating unsafely, or that the proposals would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

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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