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Hannah

I understand from my colleague that the email I sent yesterday evening on this consultation failed to arrive.

Please find attached the Highways Agency response to the above planning consultation

Thank you

Regards

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1 September 2010

For the attention of Hannah Barker

Dear Ms. Barker

108 UPPER BRIGHTON ROAD, SOMPTING – A27

Thank you for your letter dated 11 August 2010 notifying us of the above planning application for vehicular access at the front and a single-storey rear extension.

The Highways Agency, on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport, is responsible for managing and operating a safe and efficient Strategic Road Network (SRN) i.e. the Trunk Road and Motorway network, in England as laid down in Department for Transport (DfT) Circular 02/2007 (*Planning and The Strategic Road Network*). Therefore in this instance our interest is in the A27.

Accidents tend to increase with the number of access points and therefore it is important that the number of access points onto the SRN are minimised and that individual access points are well laid out such that vehicles entering and exiting the SRN can easily see and be seen by through traffic. Reversing manoeuvres onto the trunk road are more hazardous as they restrict the driver's visibility.

We strongly advise your council to refuse the part of the planning application relating to the new access on to the A27. It does not appear to us that there is sufficient space within the front garden of the property for vehicles to manoeuvre such that they can enter and exit the site in forward gear. For these reasons, we strongly advise your council to refuse this application on road safety grounds. Should your council do this I confirm that the Highways Agency would support your council in any appeal against refusal of permission on road safety grounds.

However, we would be willing to withdraw our objections if the applicant was able to demonstrate, for example by means of a scale drawing showing an adequate turning bay that vehicles can in fact enter and exit the site in forward gear. In this eventuality we would advise conditions requiring:

- that the access shall not be brought into use until the completion of the drive and turning head. Reason: in the interests of road safety to ensure that vehicles can enter and leave the site in a forward gear.

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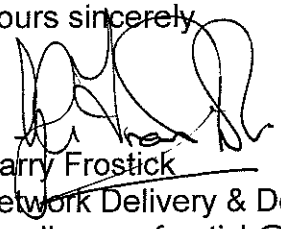
- that details of surfacing and drainage of the drive and turning head shall be agreed in writing by the local planning authority (who shall consult with the Highways Agency on behalf of the Secretary of State for Transport). Reason: In the interest of road safety to ensure that water and detritus do not enter the trunk road from the site.

Should you nevertheless decide to grant planning permission for the access we would be grateful if you could inform the applicant that if planning permission is granted works to the footway and the verge of the A27 must be constructed with a specification and method approved by the Highways Agency. Further details can be obtained from:

Highways Agency
Area 3
Federated House
London Road
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Please find enclosed TR110 confirming our view. I hope the above information has been useful, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely



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TR110 (May 2010)

An Executive Agency of
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Developments Affecting Trunk Roads and Special Roads
Highways Agency Response to an Application for Planning Permission

From: Divisional Director, Network Delivery and Development, South East, Highways Agency.

To: Adur District Council

Council's Reference: ADC/0299/10

Referring to the notification of a planning application dated 11 August 2010, your reference ADC/0299/10, in connection with the A27, 108 Upper Brighton Road, Sompting, West Sussex, notice is hereby given under the Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995 that the Secretary of State for Transport:-

~~a) offers no objection;~~

b) recommends that planning permission should be refused;

~~c) directs conditions to be attached to any planning permission which may be granted;~~

~~d) directs that planning permission is not granted for an indefinite period of time;~~

~~e) directs that planning permission not be granted for a specified period (see Annex A).~~

(delete as appropriate)

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Transport

Date: 1 September 2010	**Signature:**
Name: Garry Frostick	**Position:** Development ~~Control~~ Manager

The Highways Agency: Federated House, London Road, Dorking RH4 1SZ

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Annex A

Condition(s) to be attached to any grant of planning permission:

Reason(s) for the direction given at b), c) or d) overleaf and the period of time for a direction at e) when directing that the application is not granted for a specified period:

See accompanying letter