WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Adur & Worthing Councils FAO: Louise Prew
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	1 October 2025
LOCATION:	27 Marine Parade Worthing BN11 3PT
SUBJECT:	AWDM/1050/25 Change of use from tattoo studio (sui generis) to cafe/smoothie bar (Use Class E).
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals.

This application is for the change of use of tattoo studio (Sui Generis) to café/smoothie bar (Use Class E). The site is located on Marine Parade, a C-classified road subject to a speed limit of 30mph in this location.

The existing use currently utilises the site frontage as a single parking space, however, it does not appear that there is a formal vehicular crossover in place. The proposed use would see the site frontage utilised as seating for the café/smoothie bar use, with no on-site parking. Given the site location, it is likely that all existing customers arrive on site via foot and the proposal would not alter that existing arrangement. Given the loss of the existing parking area, the proposal would see staff members also arriving on foot. The site is sustainably located within the centre of Worthing town, within proximity to a variety of other shops and services, with a bus stop directly outside. Given the above, it is not anticipated that this proposal would result in a highway safety or capacity concern.

Conclusion
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 116), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

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