

## WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

<b>TO:</b>	Horsham District Council FAO: Hannah Darley
<b>FROM:</b>	WSCC Highways - Public Rights of Way
<b>DATE:</b>	29 August 2025
<b>LOCATION:</b>	The Fords Bonfire Hill Horsham RH13 9BU
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	DC/25/1077 Erection of 2 x no detached dwellings and garages utilising existing access and landscaping.
<b>DATE OF SITE VISIT:</b>	n/a
<b>RELEVANT PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY NUMBER(S):</b>	FP1653
<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b>	No Objection
<b>S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:</b>	n/a

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above numbered planning application. This proposal has been considered by means of a desktop study, using the information and plans submitted with this application, in conjunction with other available WSCC map information. In respect to the above planning application I would provide the following comments.

Having consulted the online documents we raise no objection to this proposal but the applicant should note that public footpath 1653 runs along the northern side of the red line boundary. This does not appear to be part of the application site but the applicant should note that no restriction or closure of this path can take place or disturbance of the path surface without prior consent of WSCC's PRow team. Any such activity would be an offence under the Highways Act 1980.

It is also important to note that there can be no active drainage onto the public footpath without appropriate mitigation measures so as not to adversely impact the footpath and lawful users ability to use it.

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