WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO:
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	4 October 2024
LOCATION:	Swallows Farm, Swallows Lane, Dial Post, Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 8NN
SUBJECT:	DC/24/0509 Extension to existing car park.
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 proposal is for an extension to existing car park. The site is located on Swallows Lane, a C-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 60 mph.

The LHA previously provided consultation advice for this site for application DC/19/2014, raising no highway safety concerns. This Local Planning Authority (LPA) permitted the application.

The main public access to the site is via a long private driveway that adjoins the public highway at Worthing Road, a C-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 60 mph. There are no proposed changes to the existing vehicular access to the site.

The applicant proposes to formalise an existing overflow car park to provide 32 permanent car parking spaces. The LHA does not anticipate that the proposals would give rise to a significant material intensification of movements to or from the site.

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.

If the LPA are minded to approve the application, the following condition should be applied:

Car parking space (details approved)
No part of the development shall be first occupied until the car parking has been constructed in accordance with the approved site plan. These spaces shall thereafter be retained at all times for their designated purpose.
Reason: To provide car-parking space for the use

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