

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Bethan Tinning
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	27/07/2026
LOCATION:	New Lodge, Worthing Road, Dial Post, RH13 1020
SUBJECT:	DC/26/1020 Variation of Condition 3 of previously approved application DC/06/0496 (Conversion of existing garage to ancillary accommodation) to allow additional use as occasional short-term holiday accommodation.
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.

WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted on highway matters by the Local Planning Authority (LPA) for the proposed Variation of Condition 3 of previously approved application DC/06/0496, to allow for the ancillary accommodation to be used as occasional short-term holiday accommodation.

The site is located on Worthing Road, a C-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph in this location. No alterations are proposed to the existing vehicle access arrangement from Worthing Road. The proposed use as an occasional holiday let would not be anticipated to give rise to a significant material intensification of use of the existing access point.

From inspection of the plans, there appears to be sufficient space on-site for vehicular parking and turning associated with the proposed use. The LPA may wish to secure cycle parking provision to promote sustainable transport methods for visitors.

The site is located in Dial Post Village, which provides some local services and amenities within walking distance, such as a public house. However, visitors travelling to locations further afield may have a reliance on the private car. The site does benefit from being well connected by the Public Right of Way network, so there are viable walking routes to the surrounding villages.

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

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