



HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
LOCATION:	Kestrel Farm, Harbolets Road, West Chiltington
DESCRIPTION:	Demolition of agricultural barns and the erection of one (self-build) dwellinghouse
REFERENCE:	DC-26-1030
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION:	
The field is bounded by some mature oaks in the roadside hedgerows and a section of woodland to the immediate NW. If re-development of the scale proposed is to be approved, the protection of all of these principal landscape features from the development process would be prudent.	
MAIN COMMENTS:	
The site has mature bounding trees and woodland present, that make a positive contribution to the landscape character.	
The extent of additional new development is further from the boundary and thus has no additional direct impacts on trees to those that have occurred with installation of hardstandings and buildings at the site over the past circa 15 years, associated with the implementation of upgraded access and agricultural barn.	
There are potential indirect impacts on adjacent woodland and landscape type/management from change of use and associated recreational pursuits/desires within the wider land holding for a development of this nature.	
The submitted arboricultural information does not propose tree protection measures for the woodland edge trees closest to the area of proposed demolition and construction, only for those to be retained close to the access route. If minded to approve, a revised method and scheme of tree protection for all phases of development is recommended.	
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS:	
Yes – Standard condition 3.9 Arboricultural Method Statement required	

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DATE:	29/07/26