

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO:
FROM:	WSCC Highways - Public Rights of Way
DATE:	25 March 2026
LOCATION:	The Hyde Rusper Road Crawley RH11 0LN
SUBJECT:	DC/26/0207 Outline Application for redevelopment of the site to provide up to 7 dwellings, infrastructure, ancillary parking and landscaping with all matters reserved except access.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RELEVANT PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY NUMBER(S):	Footpath Rus-1549-2
RECOMMENDATION:	Objection
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	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.

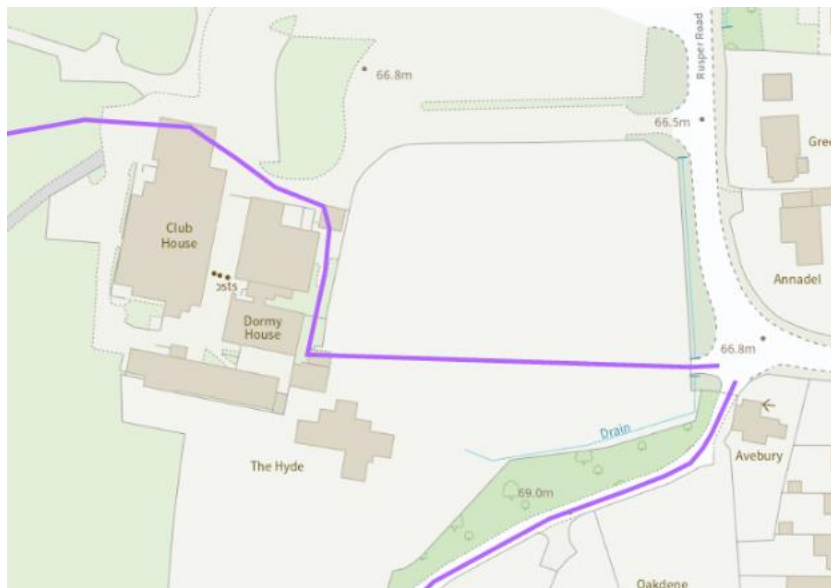
I understand this application to be for the Outline Application for redevelopment of the site to provide up to 7 dwellings, infrastructure, ancillary parking and landscaping with all matters reserved except access.

Having reviewed the available online documentation, it appears that Public Footpath 1549-2, which runs directly through the proposed development site, would become obstructed. While it is acknowledged that the footpath is currently unavailable due to the historic offline route being removed, and the legal line running north not presently accessible, the intention remains to reinstate this route in the future as part of the wider strategic planning process.

To develop this site as proposed, the applicant would be required to apply to divert Public Footpath 1549-2 under Section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. This diversion provides a potential opportunity to route the footpath to the west of the pond, reconnecting it to the footpath that continues through the golf course.

At present, however, there is no reference within the Planning Design and Access Statement to indicate how this public right of way will be accommodated, protected, or integrated within the development proposals.

Therefore, due to the lack of information regarding Public Footpath 1549-2, I must object to this application in its current form.



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