

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Sam Nye
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	20 July 2026
LOCATION:	Hundred Steddle Barn, Brighton Road, Henfield, BN5 9RT
SUBJECT:	DC/26/0905 Outline Application for redevelopment of the site to provide up to 1 no dwelling with all matters reserved except access.
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 outline application with all matters reserved except access seeks the erection of up to one dwelling. The site is located off Brighton Road, an A-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 40 mph in this location.

Access to the site will be via an existing private track that currently serves several properties. From inspection of WSCC mapping, there are no apparent visibility concerns with the existing point of access onto Brighton Road. In addition, the proposals would not be anticipated to give rise to a significant material intensification of use of this existing access point.

An inspection of collision data provided to WSCC by Sussex Police from a period of the last five years reveals one recorded collision within the vicinity of the site. However, this was not attributed to the use of the site access or site operation. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest the existing access has been operating unsafely, or that its continued use would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

All other matters relating to this application are reserved. Details pertaining to the proposed layout of the site, parking/turning, etc can be assessed at reserved matters stage.

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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