WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Jacques Burrowes
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	23 October 2024
LOCATION:	Upper Beeding Parish Council, The Sports Hall, Memorial Fields, High Street, Upper Beeding, BN44 3WN
SUBJECT:	DC/24/0980 Change of use to part first floor from Class F2 to Class E (offices).
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 change of use to part first floor from Class F2 to Class E (offices). The site is located on High Street, a C-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph. Following an inspection of the application documents, WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) raises no highway safety concerns for this application.

The LHA would not anticipate that the proposed change of use of part of the first floor to an office would give rise to a significant material intensification of movements to or from the site, when compared with the existing community use.

Access and parking will remain as per the existing arrangements, with parking being accommodated within the existing car park used by the sports hall. There is no evidence to suggest this existing arrangement has been operating unsafely, nor that the proposals would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

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.

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