

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Alice Johnson
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	28 th April 2026
LOCATION:	Land North of Little Slaughterford Chapel Road Barns Green West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DC/25/2057 Proposed development of 68 dwellings with vehicular and pedestrian accesses, public open space, hard and soft landscaping and associated works including supporting foul and surface water drainage works, and works to existing culverted watercourse on site. Additional information and amended plans have been received for this proposal.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	15 th January 2026
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

Background and Proposals

WSCC in its role of Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted on the above proposals for highway safety, capacity and accessibility considerations at the above site. The application proposes 68 dwellings (including 17 affordable and 7 shared ownership (24 total / 35%) at the site with vehicle access onto Chapel Road.

The road is subject to a 30 mph speed limit in this location. The highway aspects of the proposals are supported by way of a Transport Assessment (TA). This includes a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit (RSA), Capacity Testing and a Travel Plan (TP). It is acknowledged that the LHA provided pre-application advice to the Design Team in July 2025 which was for a speculative application for 65 dwellings.

Reference is made within the applicant's supporting Transport Assessment (TA) of the discussions with the LHA and the signed RSA. These discussions also formed the basis of the TA (dated 18th September 2025) submitted and assessed as part of this application for 68 dwellings.

Latest Response

The LHA raised No Objections to the proposals following a site visit in January 2026 and much of what was advised is still relevant in this latest consultation.

We are now in receipt of the latest drawing (ITL200844-GA-Rev A) showing some small revisions to the access arrangements which now includes a parking area located off the main estate road. Whilst the principle of the parking area is accepted the tracking (for a large estate car) only appears just workable in terms of manoeuvrability with potential for overruns on the boundary area. It is advised that this area is re-visited by the design team to ensure that there is a greater area of space for cars to manoeuvre.

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