

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Nicola Pettifer
FROM:	WSCC Highways - Public Rights of Way
DATE:	30 July 2026
LOCATION:	Land at Hornbrook Farm, Brighton Road West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DC/26/0530 Outline planning application for up to 180 dwellings, open space and associated works and infrastructure with all matters reserved apart from access.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RELEVANT PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY NUMBER(S):	None
RECOMMENDATION:	No 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.

As stated in the NPPF, para 105, Planning policies and decisions should protect and enhance public rights of way and access, including taking opportunities to provide better facilities for users, for example by adding links to existing rights of way networks including National Trails.

Defra Rights of Way Circular (1/09) states The effect that a proposed development will have on Public Rights of Way is a material consideration for planning authorities when deciding whether or not to approve a planning application. The potential consequences on Public Rights of Way must be taken into account. Information supplied by an applicant should therefore explain how the potential development will impinge on Public Rights of Way.

There are however, no PRoW within or immediately adjacent to the site proposed for development. Those within the vicinity are considered urban paths. I therefore have no objection.

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