WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Kate Turner
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	4 September 2025
LOCATION:	Outaway Bonnetts Lane Ifield West Sussex RH11 0NY
SUBJECT:	DC/25/1207 Retention of hardstanding ancillary to airport car parking use.
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 application is for the retention of hardstanding ancillary to airport car parking use. The site is located on Bonnetts Lane, an un-classified road subject to a speed limit of 40mph.

The proposal is for regularisation of land included within a 2013 CLUED application DC/13/0397 to be utilised for overspill airport car parking. The application is supported by a Transport Statement (TS) by GTA Civils which indicates that the land is in use for overspill parking as and when required, and that the use has operated on this site for some time. The TS states that the proposal will not generate any additional movements to or from the site above those approved under DC/13/0397.

The LHA are satisfied that on the basis of this application regularising the existing operations and not generating any additional movements to or from the site, this proposal would not result in any highway safety concerns on the nearby road network.

Conclusion
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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