WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Meg Bayliss
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	4 September 2025
LOCATION:	1 Fordingbridge Close Horsham West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DC/25/0909 Erection of metal gate at the bottom of the driveway.
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 erection of metal gate at the bottom of the driveway. The site is accessed from Denne Road, an un-classified road subject to a speed limit of 30mph.

The proposed gates will be situated at the entrance of the site, at the back edge of the public highway. Ideally, the gates would be situated at least 5m from the back edge of the highway to enable a vehicle to wait clear of the carriageway whilst the gates are in operation. However, it is noted that the proposed gates will be electronically operated which minimises the waiting time of a vehicle on the public highway. The applicant may wish to consider re-siting the proposed gates; however, the LHA would not raise a highway safety concern to the current proposal.

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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