

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Shazia Penne
FROM:	WSSC – Highways Authority
DATE:	18 February 2026
LOCATION:	14 Broomfield Drive, Billingshurst, RH14 9TJ
SUBJECT:	DC/26/0034 Change of use of the existing residential dwelling (Use Class C3) to allow for mixed use as dwelling and childminding, with an erection of a cabin to the rear to replace the existing summerhouse.
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 change of use of the existing residential dwelling (Use Class C3) to allow for mixed use as dwelling and childminding, with an erection of a cabin to the rear to replace the existing summerhouse. The site is located on Broomfield Drive, an unclassified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

There are no proposed changes to the existing access onto Broomfield Drive. The proposed use is small scale in nature, for a maximum of nine children at one time, with cars for drop-off and pick-up being staggered to avoid conflict. The LHA are satisfied with this arrangement. Two car parking spaces are to be retained for visitors, and this is considered sufficient for the proposed use.

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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