WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Alice Johnson
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	11 October 2024
LOCATION:	Goffsland Farm, Coolham Road, West Chiltington West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DC/24/1433 External alterations to building 'C', new roller shutters on building 'D', re-siting of mobile home and new fencing along the front boundary.
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 proposal is for external alterations to building 'C', new roller shutters on building 'D', re-siting of mobile home and new fencing along the front boundary. The site is located on Coolham Road, a B-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 60 mph in this location.

There are no proposed changes to the existing access or parking arrangements. The LHA does not anticipate that the proposals would give rise to a material intensification of movements to or from the site.

An inspection of collision data provided to WSCC by Sussex Police from a period of the last five years reveals one recorded collision within the vicinity of the site. However, this was not attributed to the use of the site access or site operation. Therefore, there is no evidence to suggest the site access has been operating unsafely, or that its continued use would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

From inspection of the plans, the proposed fencing does not encroach into the maintained highway boundary, and do not appear to obstruct vehicular/pedestrian visibility in this location.

In summary, 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 115), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

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