

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Horsham District Council FAO: Bethan Tinning
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	13 May 2026
LOCATION:	Land at 512000 114372 Rock Road Washington West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DC/26/0112 Construction of field access and entrance drive. Erection of post and rail fencing and planting of mixed deciduous hedging. More information received.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	Pending
RECOMMENDATION:	

I refer to your consultation in respect of the above planning application and would provide the following comments.

The applicant has provided a new location for the proposed access, which is now positioned more centrally to the field's southwestern boundary. The associated documents outline that this improves the achievable visibility from 2.4m x 8.6m (Northbound) and x 71M (Southbound), up to 2.4m x 71m (Northbound) and x 113m (Southbound).

From observation of the plans however, the southern splay now directly intersects the two trees that were cause for concern with the existing access point- this means that a car emerging from the new access may have restricted visibility of oncoming vehicles approaching from the south.

Therefore, to fully assess this access proposal, a site visit will be performed to observe the impact this may have on the visibility of northbound vehicles.

A response will be issued upon completion of this visit.

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