

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council FAO: Simon Davis
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	2 April 2019
LOCATION:	Babsham Business Centre Babsham Lane Bersted PO21 5EL
SUBJECT:	BE/30/19/PL Retention of secure containers, welfare facilities & secure fencing together with associated landscaping works.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	More Information
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	N/A

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals which include up to 5 residential units or extensions to single units accessed from roads that do not form part of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). As such the comments provided by Planning Services should be considered to be advice only, with respect to this planning application.

This proposal has been considered by means of a desktop study, using the information and plans submitted with this application, in conjunction with other available WSCC map information. A site visit can be arranged on request.

The LHA has been re-consulted on this application following the submission of an objection to previous highway comments to ADC regarding the proposed use of the site for short term lorry parking, which was not clearly stated within the application documents and as such was overlooked by the LHA. The LHA request further information from the applicant as set out below.

The applicant is requested to clarify what is meant by 'short term' lorry parking – i.e. will the lorries be stored/parked overnight whilst the business is closed, will they be parked only for the duration of loading/unloading skips, or for any other purpose related to the use/operation of the site? Or is the site proposed to be used as a formal overnight lorry park for drivers to rest?

The applicant is requested to provide details of the mode of operation for the proposed site, in addition to providing details of existing and proposed vehicular movements associated with the site. This can be undertaken via the Trip Rate Information Computer Systems (TRICS) database. This is a nationally recognised database which provides a robust indication of the number of trips that various use classes will generate. The software has been used many times successfully at planning appeal. Alternatively, the applicant can provide robust data demonstrating existing and proposed anticipated trips.

The applicant is also requested to provide a revised plan indicating the location of proposed lorry parking on the site and the number of spaces that will be provided.

Does the site in question currently have a Vehicle Operator Licence (VOL), or will a new/amended VOL be required as result of this proposal?

The LHA acknowledge that within its previous response, reference was made to a lone worker being present on the site. Upon further inspection of the email dated 8th March to Simon Davis, clarifying

point 18 of a previous objection, the LHA acknowledges that this was misread. The applicant clarifies in this email that no staff will be permanently employed on site but will be on site during the delivery, collection, sorting and stacking of skips, and for occasional repair work to skips. The applicant is requested to provide details of existing staffing levels on site and the staffing levels anticipated to be required during the undertaking of the above operations. Will any staff parking be provided on site? If so, this should be demonstrated on a revised plan.

Please request the information outlined above from the applicant and re-consult.

Nicola Fry
West Sussex County Council - Planning Services