

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council
FROM:	Debbie Farrell, Highways, WSCC
DATE:	2/5/2018
LOCATION:	Woodpecker Camping Field Crookthorn Lane Climping BN17
SUBJECT:	Change of use of land from agricultural field to 60 No. tent pitches operating from April to October to include 2 No. plumbed screened portable showers, 2 No. plumbed portable toilets, 2 No. screened changing cubicles, 2 No. 2 screened portable chemical toilets with hand wash facilities & washing up/drying area within existing building.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	
RECOMMENDATION:	☐ Advice ☐ Objection ☐ Modification ☒ No Objection ☐ More Information ☐ Refusal
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	£ See below for breakdown.

Access from the public highway (A259)

The existing access to Bairds Farm Shop is an established formal access with good visibility in both directions. The proposed use includes 60 car parking spaces and whilst this number appears high, the nature of the proposed use is unlikely to result in a significant impact on the public highway. It is usual for campers to arrive on site and not use their vehicle until it is time to leave or use their vehicle infrequently and outside of peak hour times.

The site has been, albeit informally, operating as a campsite for a period of time and there does not appear to have been a significant impact on the public highway. The Sussex Police collision reports have been interrogated and there does not appear to have been any collisions attributed to the use of the access in the last 3 years.

Whilst it is recognised that the proposal will result in an intensification in use of the access it is not considered that the proposed use will have a severe impact on the public highway (A259).

Clear signage will be required within the site to inform drivers of the access to the campsite and reduce the likelihood of vehicles stopping within the access.

No highway objection

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