

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council FAO: Michael Eastman
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	2 May 2019
LOCATION:	Land North of Felpham Charles Purley Way Felpham
SUBJECT:	Y/31/19/PL Removal of sport facilities originally approved under application Y/68/09 in order to retain this as a landscaped area.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	02/05/2019
RECOMMENDATION:	Modification
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	£ See below for breakdown.

This full planning application for the removal of the proposed sports facilities, approved under planning application Y/68/09, has been considered by WSCC as the CHA.

This new application will keep this as a landscaped area, along with the approved access road, enabling the local community easy access. As there are no parking standards for these types of spaces, WSCC consider the principle of 30 car parking spaces to be acceptable for the proposed use however; in keeping with the NPPF theme of promoting sustainability, some cycle storage must be provided within the car park proposal.

Layout

The needs of the mobility impaired have been considered to an extent by providing two disabled car parking spaces for people in wheelchairs.

However the layout of the car park needs to reflect the needs of the less able to make the location inclusive for all, and where possible encouraging sustainable forms of transport, especially for those living close by.

WSCC would like to see dropped kerbs included at the access, to the car park. Ideally this will continue over the other side which will provide a direct link into the 'entrance' of the landscaped area. It appears there is a gate, accessed from the road but there is no footway access as such.

The car park layout should consider access for all its users. The plan submitted shows it is bounded by a timber knee rail fence and an area of pedestrian tarmac provides a path along the left hand side of the car park. It is recommended this footpath is at least 2m in width and as it currently does not link to anywhere, this should be changed to provide a link from the parking area directly to the entrance gate.

As the landscaped area will not provide any hard surface it may be difficult for wheelchair users to have the opportunity to access this space safely. In our opinion the layout of the 'entrance gate' needs to provide appropriate surfacing for users of wheelchairs, mobility scooters, and walking aids to be able to enjoy the rural environment. Benches could also be considered.

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Cycle parking

No part of the development shall be first occupied until covered and secure cycle parking spaces have been provided in accordance with plans and details submitted to and approved by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To provide alternative travel options to the use of the car in accordance with current sustainable transport policies.