

**PLANNING SERVICES DIVISION:
SECTION 106 CONSULTATION RESPONSE FOR ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

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DISTRICT/BOROUGH COUNCIL: Arun

Application Number: LU/136/21/PL

**The Provision of Service Infrastructure Related to Development at Land at
Mewsbrook House, 59 East Street, Littlehampton, BN17 6AU**

Planning Application details – Second & third storey extensions to existing care home to provide 14 No. new residential care rooms. This application may affect the setting of listed building, may affect the character & appearance of the East Street Conservation Area & is in CIL Zone 4 (Zero Rated) as other development.

Summary of Density per Infrastructure Demands

Education				
School Planning Area	0			
Population Adjustment	0.0			
	Primary	Secondary	6th Form	
Child Product	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	
Total Places Required	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	
Library				
Locality	Littlehampton			
East Preston / Ferring / Findon Valley / Tier 7 Sites	£0			
Contribution towards Rustington / Willowhale	£0			
Contribution towards Bognor Regis / Littlehampton	£2,331			
Population Adjustment	14.0			
Sqm per population	35			
Sqm Required	0.00			
Waste				
Adjusted Net. Households	14			
Fire				
No. Hydrants	TBC			
Population Adjustment	14.0			
£/head of additional population	£15			
TAD- Transport				
Net Population Increase	0.0			
Net Parking Spaces	0			
Net Commercial Floor Space sqm	0			
Total Access (commercial only)	0.0000			

Summary of Contributions

S106 type	Monies Due
Education - Primary	No contribution
Education - Secondary	No contribution
Education - 6th Form	No contribution
Libraries	£2,331
Waste	No contribution
Fire & Rescue	£210
No. of Hydrants	TBC
TAD	No contribution
Total Contribution	£2,541

Note: The above summary does not include the installation costs of fire hydrants. Where these are required on developments, (quantity as identified above) as required under the Fire Services Act 2004 they will be installed as a planning condition and at direct cost to the developer. Hydrants should be attached to a mains capable of delivering sufficient flow and pressure for fire fighting as required in the National Guidance Document on the Provision of Water for Fire Fighting 3rd Edition (Appendix 5)

The above contributions are required pursuant to s106 of the Town and Country planning Act 1990 to mitigate the impacts of the subject proposal with the provision of additional County Council service infrastructure, highways and public transport that would arise in relation to the proposed development.

Planning obligations requiring the above money is understood to accord with the Secretary of State's policy tests outlined by the in the *National Planning Policy Framework, 2019*.

The CIL Regulations 2010 (as amended by the CIL amendment Regulations 2019) came into force on 1st September 2019 and clarify that an authority collecting contributions through the use of S106 agreements may now lawfully charge a fee for monitoring the planning obligations they contain. From 1st April 2020 West Sussex County Council will implement a S106 monitoring fee of £200 per trigger, per year of monitoring. Financial triggers are monitored for an average of three years and will therefore produce a fee of £600 per trigger, with non-financial triggers taking around six years to fulfil and therefore costing £1200.

The basis for this advice is contained in the County Council's adopted Supplementary Planning Guidance document "The Provision of Service Infrastructure Related to New Development in West Sussex – Part 1".

The calculations have been derived on the basis of an increase in 14 net bedrooms.

Please see below for a Breakdown and explanation of the WSCC Contribution Calculators. Also see the attached spreadsheet for the breakdown of the calculation figures. For further explanation please see the Sussex County Council website (<http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/s106>).

Deed of Planning Obligations

- a) As a deed of planning obligations would be required to ensure payment of the necessary financial contribution, the County Council would require the proposed development to reimburse its reasonable legal fees incurred in the preparation of the deed.
- b) The deed would provide for payment of the financial contribution upon commencement of the development.
- c) In order to reflect the changing costs, the deed would include arrangements for review of the financial contributions at the date the payment is made if the relevant date falls after 31st March 2022. This may include revised occupancy rates if payment is made after new data is available from the 2021 Census.
- d) **Review of the contribution towards the provision of additional library floorspace should be by reference to an appropriate index, preferably RICS BCIS All-In TPI. This figure is subject to annual review.**
- e) **Review of the contribution towards the provision of fire service infrastructure (fire stations) should be by reference to an appropriate index, preferably RICS BCIS All-In TPI. This figure is subject to annual review.**

The contributions generated by this proposal shall be spent on additional facilities at Littlehampton Library

Fire and Rescue Service Contribution - £210 to be used towards supply and installation of additional fire safety equipment/smoke alarms to vulnerable persons homes in West Sussex Fire Rescue Services Southern Area serving Littlehampton.

Recent experience suggests that where a change in contributions required in relation to a development or the necessity for indexation of financial contributions from the proposed development towards the costs of providing service infrastructure such as libraries is not specifically set out within recommendations approved by committee, applicants are unlikely to agree to such provisions being included in the deed itself. Therefore, it is important that your report and recommendations should cover a possible change in requirements and the need for appropriate indexation arrangements in relation to financial contributions.

Please ensure that applicants and their agents are advised that any alteration to the housing mix, size, nature or tenure, may generate a different population and thus require re-assessment of contributions. Such re-assessment should be sought as soon as the housing mix is known and not be left until signing of the section 106 Agreement is imminent.

It should be noted that the figures quoted in this letter are based on current information and will be adhered to for 3 months. Thereafter, if they are not consolidated in a signed S106 agreement they will be subject to revision as necessary to reflect the latest information as to cost and need.

Any payment required for a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) in respect of the proposed development is due either on the commencement of development or receipt of a TRO application to the County Council, whichever is the earlier.

Please see below for a Breakdown of the Contribution Calculators for clarification of West Sussex County Council's methodology in calculating Contributions. For further explanation please see the Sussex County Council website (<http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/s106>).

Breakdown of Contribution Calculation Formulas:

1. Library Infrastructure

There are two methodologies used for calculating library infrastructure Contributions. These have been locally tailored on the basis of required contributions and the nature of the library in the locality, as below:

Library infrastructure contributions are determined by the population adjustment resulting in a square metre demand for library services. The square metre demand is multiplied by a cost multiplier which determines the total contributions as below:

Contributions = SQ M Demand x Cost Multiplier

a) Square Metre Demand

The square metre demand for library floor space varies across the relevant districts and parishes on the basis of library infrastructure available and the settlement population in each particular locality. The **local floorspace demand (LFD)** figure varies between 30 and 35 square metres per 1000 people and is provided with each individual calculation.

Square Metre Demand = (Adjusted Population x LFD) / 1000

b) Cost Multiplier- Library Infrastructure

WSCC estimated cost of providing relatively small additions to the floorspace of existing library buildings is **£5,549** per square metre. This figure was updated by Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors' Building Cost Information Service All-In Tender Price Index for the 2021/2022 period.

2. Fire & Rescue Service Infrastructure

The Fire and Rescue Services infrastructure contribution is determined by the population adjustment multiplied by the relevant cost multiplier for the provision of services.

Fire and Rescue Contributions = Adjusted Population x Cost Multiplier

a) Adjusted Population

This is the sum of the occupancy rates for the net dwelling increase with the exclusion of social housing increase.

b) Cost Multiplier- Fire Rescue

There are two cost multipliers for WSCC which relate to the Southern Division and the Northern Division. The cost multiplier is calculated by dividing the total cost of necessary fire and rescue infrastructure within the division by the projected population for 2016. The cost multipliers are as below:

Southern Division (Chichester, Arun, Worthing and Adur): £15 per person

Northern Division (Horsham, Crawley, Mid Sussex): £57 per person in Horsham, £105 per person in Crawley

Note: The installation costs of fire hydrants are excluded from the above and will continue to be required on developments as a direct cost to the developer as required under the Fire Services Act 2004

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