

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council FAO:Andrew Wood
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	5 February 2020
LOCATION:	Land at Brook Barn Farm Courtwick Lane Littlehampton
SUBJECT:	LU/19/20/PL Application for Variation of Conditions imposed on planning reference LU/385/14/PL relating to condition no.4 - extend the period of the solar farm by 15 years.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	n/a

Background and Proposals

The proposals seek to vary Condition 4 of a 2014 consent (LU/385/14). WSCC in its role of Local Highway Authority (LHA) did not raise any objections to the proposals subject to conditions in our response in 2015.

As part of this application the application seeks to extend the generation period of the solar farm by 15 years to 40 years. This as stated as being due to changes in the political and climatic circumstances since 2015.

Comments

The access elements of the proposal were agreed with the LHA in 2015. We are not aware of any issues with the access since this date. Within the applicants original Transport Assessment (TA), it stated that the proposal, when up-and-running, would generate up to 2 visits per month by a van, resulting in 4 traffic movements (two-way). Most of the vehicular movements were to have been during the construction phase of the development which has of course now been completed.

Conclusion

Therefore based on the information submitted the LHA would have no reason to assume the amount of visits would change for a sustained period and on that basis would have no concerns to the proposed use continuing along the timeframe stated.

Jamie Brown
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