

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council FAO: Anita Gardner
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	22 November 2021
LOCATION:	Land on south side of Eldon Way Littlehampton BN17 7HE
SUBJECT:	LU/338/21/PL Construction of a Youth and Community Centre, Multi Use Games Area (MUGA), Cycle Store, Bin Store, vehicular access and altered pedestrian access with associated scheme of hard and soft landscaping. This application is in CIL Zone 4 (zero rated) as other development.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	More Information
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	n/a

West Sussex County Council (WSCC), in its capacity as Local Highway Authority (LHA), have been consulted on the full planning application LU/338/21/PL with regards to any highway safety or capacity concerns. The application is supported by way of a Transport Statement (TS).

Site Context

The application site is a vacant land comprising a park / recreation area including a children's area to the south of Eldon Way, Littlehampton BN17 7HE. The development proposals are for the construction of a new youth centre, including new play areas and a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA), a new car park, bike storage and other associated facilities. The centre would replace the existing Keystone Centre on the opposite side of Eldon Way.

Access

The site is currently accessed via a wooden gate along Eldon Way. Eldon Way is a single carriageway road subject to 30mph speed limit. The new vehicular access is taken from the location of the existing gated access and would be a 6.0m wide vehicle crossover supported by 1.0m chamfers.

Pedestrian access into the site would be served from a 2.0m wide footway connecting with the existing footway on Eldon Way. This footway would provide a continuous connection through the site providing access to the new youth centre, the MUGA and BMX track to the rear.

Personal Injury Accident (PIA) Data

WSCC's online record for road traffic collisions have been interrogated and this reveals there has been no personal injury accident near to the site access.

Turning / Servicing

Swept path analysis have been carried out for the vehicles that would access the development, including an estate car, fire tender and a minibus. It has been demonstrated within the Transport Statement that these vehicles would be able to turn within the site and exist in forward gear.

The bin store is located at the front of the development and refuse collection / servicing is carried out from the kerbside along Eldon Way, in line with the existing arrangements for the neighbouring properties.

Trip Generation and Highway Capacity

An estimation of development trips using TRICS database suggests that the community centre would likely generate 66 daily 2-way vehicle trips out of which 3 trips would occur during the AM peak hour and 7 trips would occur during PM peak hour.

Parking

A total of 12 vehicle parking spaces are proposed, including a disabled bay and a minibus bay, to the front of the development. The calculation is based on the car parking provision for the existing Keystone Centre as Arun District Council or West Sussex County Council do not provide a specific car or cycle parking standards for a youth centre / community centre. This level of parking provision is considered acceptable.

Stage 1 Road Safety Audit

In line with WSCC Safety Audit Adopted Policy, the development would result in intensification of a vehicular access; therefore, the LHA would request the applicant to submit an independent Stage 1 Road Safety Audit and re-consult.

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