

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council FAO: Zac Denton
FROM:	WSCC - Highways Authority
DATE:	20 November 2019
LOCATION:	The Honeypot Cafe, 19 Sea Lane, Rustington, BN16 2RD
SUBJECT:	R/200/19/PL Change of use of forecourt area to provide 4 tables & a bench for outdoor seating for maximum of 12 seats.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	N/A

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals which include up to 5 residential units or extensions to single units accessed from roads that do not form part of the Strategic Road Network (SRN). As such the comments provided by Strategic Planning should be considered to be advice only, with respect to this planning application.

This proposal has been considered by means of a desktop study, using the information and plans submitted with this application, in conjunction with other available WSCC map information. A site visit can be arranged on request.

Summary

This proposal is for the change of use of a forecourt area to provide an outdoor seating area. The site is located on Sea Lane, a B-classified road subject to a speed limit of 30 mph. This application is retrospective, with the works having been completed on 30/05/2019.

Content

The proposed seating area will provide outdoor seating for a maximum of 12 seats. The seating area is situated within a private forecourt and does not encroach onto publicly maintainable highway. Visibility at the junction with Sea Road and The Grangeway does not appear to be affected by this proposal.

The site is sustainably located and is well connected by public transport. A cycle rack is proposed for the outdoor seating area, which will help promote the use of sustainable alternative modes of transport to the private car.

An inspection of collision data provided to WSCC by Sussex Police from a period of the last 5 years reveals no recorded injury accidents attributed to road layout within the vicinity of the site. Therefore there is no evidence to suggest the nearby road network is operating unsafely or that the proposal would exacerbate an existing safety concern.

Conclusion

The LHA does not consider that this proposal would have an unacceptable impact on highway safety or result in 'severe' cumulative impacts on the operation of the highway network, therefore is not contrary to the National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 109), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

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