

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council FAO: Jonny Cooper
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	27/05/2026
LOCATION:	80 Worthing Road, Rustington, BN16 3LL
SUBJECT:	R/61/26/HH Dropped kerb vehicle access on to driveway.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals.

WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted on highway matters by the Local Planning Authority (LPA) for a proposed dropped kerb vehicle access. The site is located on Worthing Road, a B-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

A 5m wide dropped kerb is proposed on Worthing Road fronting the property, facilitating access to off-street parking. The plans demonstrate suitable visibility splays of 2.4m x 43m in both directions as per Manual for Streets (MfS) visibility parameters.

The proposed access works will be subject to a licence obtained from WSCC, and constructed to a specification agreed with a WSCC Highway Area Engineer (I attach a relevant informative note below on how to start this process).

On-site turning does not appear achievable within the site boundary, so cars may have to exit the site onto the maintained highway in a reverse gear. However, this is not anticipated to give rise to a highway safety concern, owing to suitable demonstrated vehicular visibility either side of the proposed access, as well as good forward visibility along Worthing Road in this location.

In summary, 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 116), and that there are no transport grounds to resist the proposal.

If the LPA are minded to approve the application, the following informative should be applied:

Vehicle Crossover – Minor Highway Works

The applicant is advised that in addition to obtaining planning permission that they must also obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway. The granting of planning permission does not guarantee that a vehicle crossover licence shall be granted because the highway license process considers wider factors than are considered by the Highway Authority at planning stage.

Additional information about the licence application process can be found at the following web page:

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-network-permits-and-licences/highway-licences/west-sussex-county-council-licences/dropped-kerbs-or-vehicle-crossovers-for-driveways/>

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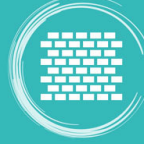
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Regards

Kyran Schneider

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