

Anna Tidey

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Subject: Planning Application DM/26/1132 Land Parcel North of 42-54 Hurst Road

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Hi Anna,

I understand that a neighbour of ours, [REDACTED] has been in touch with you regarding the above application. I just wish to check that, based on feedback so far, whether the question of site access will automatically be referred to the Public Rights of Way Office in Chichester, as the new vehicular entrance to the land (recently installed) will have an impact on the existing bridleway and footpath. The entrance is at the foot of a hill, has poor visibility when exiting and, impinges on one of the few passing places down this narrow lane. Having lived here for 50 years I can assure, as others have pointed out, that no access point off Belmont Lane to the plot of land has ever existed. The comment in the Block Plan highlighting an existing vehicular access is totally erroneous !

That said, I did contact PROW in Chichester back in July/August 2025, in advance of any work commencing, and a case number was opened 'Hassocks-8C-624760' (Land Fencing & Access) – the person then dealing with the matter was [REDACTED] who asked me to let him know when the work commenced. On 18th September 2025 I advised him that work had started and the position seemed to be that the Local Ranger would check the situation.

Subsequently, I was advised that the PROW Office could not get involved until such time as a Planning Application for the works had been made – hence my initial question as to whether they are now actively involved. As you will appreciate, significant concern has been expressed about the vehicular access point for which approval is not actually being sought - - due to it being identified as 'existing'.

No doubt you are busy with this and other issues but, if you could just acknowledge receipt of this, that would be great.

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]