

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Andrew Horrell
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	29 April 2026
LOCATION:	McDonald's 165 London Road, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 1ET
SUBJECT:	DM/26/0872 Variation of condition no 11 relating to planning application GR/199/96 - to extend the restaurant's opening hours.
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.

This application seeks the variation of condition no 11 relating to planning application GR/199/96 - to extend the restaurant's opening hours. The site is located on London Road, an A-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

For context, WSCC in its role as Local Highway Authority (LHA) was a consultee for permitted application DM/23/2229, raising no highway safety or capacity concerns.

The original permission stipulated the hours of operation should be between 7am and 11pm. The applicant seeks a revision to hours of operation to become a 24hours, seven days a week operation.

The proposed extended operating hours are outside of network peak times. Whilst the proposals could see an increase in movements during these new times, the trips generated would not be a significant increase over existing, and it is not anticipated to give rise to an adverse impact on the operation of the local highway network. The site is sustainably located that is well accessible on foot, by cycle or by public transport.

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.

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