

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Jo Swift
FROM:	WSSC – Highways Authority
DATE:	22 nd July 2026
LOCATION:	Land At Coombe Hill Road East Grinstead West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DM/26/0073 The erection of 42 new homes with access from West Hoathly Road, vehicle and cycle parking, landscaping, drainage, and associated infrastructure and highway works (Amended plans received).
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

WSSC in its role of Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted on the proposals for highway safety, capacity and access.

Background and History

The site is located at the southern edge of the built up area of East Grinstead, adjacent to the suburb of Sunnyside. The site comprises a single field located to the east of West Hoathly Road which provides access north into the centre of East Grinstead. The proposals are for 44 units with access onto West Hoathly Road via new point of access. The speed limit along this stretch of West Hoathly Road is 30 mph.

The LHA raised No Objections to the proposals in February 2026 and the detail of this stance is provided in our response. For this consultation there have been some minor changes have been made to the internal layout and these are commented on in this consultation response.

Latest Comments

Changes have been made to pedestrian connectivity. This now includes informal green routes have been introduced at key locations to complete pedestrian loops and improve connectivity, including adjacent to Plots 33–34. These have been shown on drawing PL-101 which shows the pedestrian loop in situ. In terms of design dimensions, the path should be 3 metres in width to allow pedestrians and cycles to utilise it.

Conclusion

No further LHA comments aside from the above.

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