

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Steve King
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	14 July 2025
LOCATION:	Land At Hurst Farm, Hurstwood Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 7QX
SUBJECT:	DM/25/1630 Variation of Condition no 2 relating to planning application DM/22/2272 - amended drawings (Condition 1 relating to Lewes planning application LW/22/0517)
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

Comments are made in respects of,

- Proposed Central Residential Access, drawing 70081355-WSP-XX-XX-DR-CV-0001, revision P06
- Indicative Non-Vehicular Access, drawing C5116_0000-05, revision M
- Cover letter, dated 3rd June 2025

The proposal seeks to effectively move the permitted central vehicular access southwards. All other transport principles established as part of the approved outline development otherwise remain unchanged albeit are slightly altered as a result of the access moving.

There are a several detailed comments on the submitted information.

Firstly, the Stage One Addendum Road Safety Audit is noted. This raises a number of problems all of which are resolvable through the detailed design. WSCC would request that the RSA Response form is provided in an editable format to enable WSCC to enter comments as Overseeing Organisation and for Agreed Actions to be included. This aspect can be agreed directly between WSCC and the Applicant.

Secondly, it would be useful if tracking could be provided for the proposed access arrangement. Subject to tracking, some minor widening on curves may be required to ease the movement of vehicles.

Lastly, the colouring on the 'Proposed Central Residential Access' drawing implies that the section of Hurstwood Lane north of the proposed access is to be changed to grass verge. It's accepted that part of Hurstwood Lane is to be closed to vehicular traffic (emergency vehicles aside) but appropriate surfacing will still be required. This is presumed as a drafting error and separately covered under planning condition 23 of DM/22/2272.

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