

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Joseph Swift
FROM:	WSCC Highways - Public Rights of Way
DATE:	22 May 2025
LOCATION:	Burgess Hill Northern Arc, Land N And NW Of Burgess Hill, Between Bedelands Nature Reserve In The East And, Goddard's Green Waste Water Treatment Works In The West
SUBJECT:	DM/25/1128 Second phase of the Western Bridge and Link Road, comprising the construction of a two-lane single carriageway road, with 3m shared surface (cyclist/pedestrian) on the west side of the highway, and a segregated 5m cycleway/footway on the east side. Connecting to the first phase of WBLR at the roundabout junction on the A2300. Provision of Western Bridge, spanning 71m, carrying the highway and cycleway/footway over the River Adur and floodplain, connecting with future phases at the eastern extent. Includes provision of access to future residential areas, signalised crossing points, earthworks, surface water and foul drainage infrastructure, utilities corridors, lighting and landscaping.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RELEVANT PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY NUMBER(S):	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	More Information
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	n/a

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above numbered planning application. This proposal has been considered by means of a desktop study, using the information and plans submitted with this application, in conjunction with other available WSCC map information. In respect to the above planning application I would provide the following comments.

Having consulted the online documents I can confirm there is no impact on the current PRoW network however the red line boundary includes the accommodation of the proposed Green Circle extension as it crosses the new road.

All elements of the proposed new Green Circle need to be set out clearly including specifications for finishes within the red line boundary. I did notice on page 5 of the Design and Access Statement that the road crossing is referred to as a footpath crossing but the Green Circle will be a Bridleway to accommodate pedestrians, horse riders and cyclists. This needs amending as the requirements for a controlled crossing for a Bridleway are different to the requirements for a Footpath.

Finally there needs to be clarification of the differences between the Green Circle extension and the shared pedestrian and cycle route. As far as I understand this the

Green Circle extension is to be a Public Bridleway managed and maintained in the future by WSCC's PRoW team however the shared pedestrian cycle route is not to be maintained by the PRoW team.

All this information needs to be clarified before we can comment any further.

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