

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Joanne Fisher
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	2 May 2025
LOCATION:	Land At Colwell Farm Lewes Road Haywards Heath West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DM/25/0445 Outline application with all matters reserved except for access, for up to 80 dwellings with associated landscaping, open space, infrastructure and vehicular and pedestrian accesses. Response to Applicant
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	
RECOMMENDATION:	More Information on TRO and supporting scheme of measures required

The applicant has responded to the request for more information in WSCC response dated 19th March 2025. A transport note and lay-by plan has been submitted for approval.

Lay-by works on Lewes Road

1. Plan ITL19597-GA-018 is provided to show the new footway construction over the current lay-by to link the footway as the alternative surfaced and level route to the school and local amenities. (if not using the public right of way). WSCC are satisfied these improvements to the footway help to encourage a safe and level walking route via Snowdrop Lane.
2. Local residents have highlighted the need for a level surface route to the local amenities for visibly and mobility impaired. WSCC is aware the route via Snowdrop Lane is the nearest route but there is no footway on a short stretch of Snowdrop Lane to connect Lewes Road and Marlow Drive. Is there any mitigation the developer could provide here to alert drivers to pedestrians walking in the road.

TRO Scheme of Supporting Works

The applicant states in the transport note that they are willing to provide a financial contribution towards the development of a TRO to reduce the speed limit from 40mph to 30mph, and a scheme of supporting measures.

WSSC preference would be for the applicant to include the TRO and supporting scheme of measures within the s278 works, secured through the s106 process and delivered via the s278 agreement at the same time as delivering the access works. Would the applicant be willing to provide a scheme in this way?

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