

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Catherine Cardin
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	28/05/2025
LOCATION:	30 Estcots Drive, East Grinstead, RH19 3DB
SUBJECT:	DM/25/1193 To apply for the kerb in front of my property to be dropped
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	N/A

This application has been dealt with in accordance with the Development Control Scheme protocol for small scale proposals.

This application seeks to drop the kerb to front of property. The site is located on Estcots Drive, a C-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

The plans suggest a new 4.8m wide dropped kerb is proposed fronting the site. From inspection of WSCC mapping, there are no apparent visibility concerns with the proposed point of access on Estcots Road.

The proposed access works will be subject to a Vehicle Crossover (VCO) Licence obtained through the local WSCC Highway Area Office, and constructed to a specification agreed with a WSCC Area Engineer. An informative note is included below.

The site exhibits space to provide two off-street car parking spaces provided at 2.4m x 4.8m positioned perpendicular to the highway. On-site turning does not appear achievable, so cars may have to reverse out of the site – however, this is not anticipated to give rise to an adverse highway safety impact, owing to good forward visibility in this location.

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.

If the LPA are minded to approve the application, the following informative should be applied:

Vehicle Crossover – Minor Highway Works

The applicant is advised that in addition to obtaining planning permission that they must also obtain formal approval from the highway authority to carry out the site access works on the public highway. The granting of planning permission does not guarantee that a vehicle crossover licence shall be granted because the highway license process considers wider factors than are considered by the Highway Authority at planning stage.

Additional information about the licence application process can be found at the following web page:

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/highway-network-permits-and-licences/highway-licences/west-sussex-county-council-licences/dropped-kerbs-or-vehicle-crossovers-for-driveways/>

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