

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Caroline Grist
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	02/10/2025
LOCATION:	5 William Allen Lane, Lindfield, RH16 2SA
SUBJECT:	DM/25/2323 Proposed single storey rear extension, single storey side extension, first floor rear extension and garage conversion, widening driveway, together with associated internal and external alterations
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 the erection of various extensions, conversion of garage, widening of driveway and associated internal and external alterations. The site is located on William Allen Lane, an unclassified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph.

The existing dropped kerb is to be widened to facilitate access to a widened driveway. The proposed access works will be subject to a licence obtained from WSCC, and constructed to a specification agreed with a WSCC Highway Area Engineer.

From inspection of the plans, the widened driveway can accommodate two off-street car parking spaces, which would be considered suitable parking provision for a dwelling of this size. An external store will be retained from the proposed garage conversion, which can be utilised for cycle storage.

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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