

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Joanne Fisher
FROM:	WSCC – Highways Authority
DATE:	18 th May 2026
LOCATION:	Land To The West Of Courthouse Farm Copthorne Common Copthorne West Sussex
SUBJECT:	DM/25/3021 Outline planning application for the erection of residential dwellings (Use Class C3), including associated parking, outdoor amenity space, landscaping and drainage, with all matters reserved except for the new access proposed from Copthorne Common Road. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION submitted 10th and 25th March 2026 in reselect of a FRA and drainage strategy, green ring strategy drawing, cross sections, response to consultations, road safety design audit and district licence report. More information received.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	n/a
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice

Background

WSCC in its role of Local Highway Authority (LHA) has been consulted on the proposals for highway safety, capacity and access. The proposals are for 86 residential units in total. Access to the site will be taken from Copthorne Common Road on the northern boundary of the site via a new priority junction with a ghost island right turn lane.

Additional Comments

The LHA acknowledge the comments made by Metrobus on the 17th April 2026. In this response consideration is requested on the inclusion of improvements to local bus stop facilities. The LHA would concur with these comments and advise that Real Time Information is considered at the following nearby bus stops:

- New Town (west of the site)
- Aberveganny Gardens (east of the site)

It is considered that both of these improvements could be secured within any Section 106 agreement as off-site mitigation.

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