

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Mid Sussex District Council FAO: Anna Tidey
FROM:	Highways, WSCC
DATE:	27/05/2025
LOCATION:	13 High Street, Hurstpierpoint, BN6 9TT
SUBJECT:	DM/25/1214 Partial removal of garden wall. Construction of hard landscaped area across the front amenity space for off street parking, with associated dropped kerb.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	N/A
RECOMMENDATION:	More Information
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 partial removal of garden wall and construction of hardstanding with dropped kerb for vehicle access and off-street parking. The site is located on High Street, a B-classified road subject to a speed restriction of 30 mph in this location.

The proposed access works would be subject to a licence obtained through the local WSCC Highway Area Office, and constructed to a specification agreed with the local WSCC Highway Area Engineer.

The applicant is advised that in order for a licence to be granted, a minimum site frontage depth of 4.8m is required, to facilitate a car parking space of 2.4m x 4.8m positioned perpendicular to the highway. Therefore, the current proposals are likely to be refused a licence from WSCC, and thus unimplementable. I would advise the applicant to refer to WSCC's VCO Application Criteria, which outlines reasons for refusal (see Vehicle Crossover Guidance Notes PDF by following the informative note link below).

<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/>

The applicant may wish to consider whether the current proposals are worth pursuing, or if amendments to the plans can be made to satisfy the requirements set out by WSCC's Application Criteria.

Please raise the above with the applicant.

Kyran Schneider
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