# WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

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DATE:	10 June 2019
LOCATION:	Kilmarnock Farm,
	Charlwood Road,
	Ifield,
	RH11 0JY
SUBJECT:	WSCC/041/19
	Proposed Concrete Crushing and Soil Recycling Facility.
DATE OF SITE VISIT:	
RECOMMENDATION:	Objection / More Information
S106 CONTRIBUTION TOTAL:	£ See below for breakdown.

#### Background

The application is for a concrete crushing and soil recycling facility at Kilmarnock Farm, Charlwood Road, Ifield. The site is located off Charlwood Road which is subject to a 40mph speed limit.

#### Access

An improved priority junction would be formed with Charlwood Road, consisting of a 6m wide access road and is shown on drawing ref: Proposed Access and Visibility Requirements - 1806078-04

Visibility to the north is achievable of  $2.4m \times 215m$  this is in excess of DMRB requirements of a 40mph, the transport statement details that  $2.4m \times 83m$  is achievable to the south in excess of MfS requirements.

Historical speed survey north and south of the site indicates 85<sup>th</sup>% vehicle speeds in excess of the posted 40mph limit as such a speed survey should be undertaken. The applicant has also applied Manual for Streets visibility parameters to the south when DMRB parameters should be utilised as the posted speed limit and anticipated 85<sup>th</sup>% speeds are in excess of 37mph.

A road safety audit and designers response has been undertaken on the proposals.

### Trip generation

The transport statement indicates a total of 30 inbound and 30 outbound vehicle movements per day.

## <u>Layout</u>

Swept path analysis has been provided and indicates that two HGVs would not be able to pass each other on the 6m wide access road between the site access and the turning head. However the proposed 'Top View' does show sufficient carriageway to enable two HGVs to pass in the vicinity of the stock bays.

A wheel washing facility is also to be provided within the access road.

#### Parking

A total of 6 car parking spaces are to be provided. The application form states the site would employ 50 full time staff – clarification on this number is required, should 50 people be employed on site then the vehicle parking is likely to be insufficient.

# Conclusion

An objection to the application is raised as insufficient information has been provided to assess the visibility requirements of the access.

The applicant should undertake a speed survey and should demonstrate appropriate visibility splays to the south of the site.

Further information is also requested on the level of employment and parking provision.

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