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Highway Officer: Jenny Rhodes
Our ref: HPBC/2026/018305
Your ref: HPK/2026/0274
Date: 30 July 2026

Dear Alex Bonser

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015
ARTICLE 18 CONSULTATION WITH HIGHWAY AUTHORITY**

PROPOSAL: Alteration and improvement of car park at the rear of the church to provide 13 car parking bays including one disabled bay with associated works

LOCATION: Whaley Bridge Uniting Church , Buxton Road , Whaley Bridge , Derbyshire , SK23 7HT

Derbyshire County Council, the Highway Authority acting in its role as Statutory Consultee has undertaken a full assessment of this planning application. Based on the appraisal of the development proposals the Highways Development Management Manager on behalf of the County Council, under Article 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order, 2015 **has no objection subject to conditions.**

The application proposes alterations to an existing car park and installation of a drainage channel and soakaway. It is proposed to resurface the existing car with permeable asphalt and install at kerb around the car park to prevent grass growing over the edge of the asphalt. The size of the car park will not change.

The access drive from Buxton Road to the car park slopes downwards towards Buxton Road. The Significance and Impact Statement states that normal levels of surface water will drain through the proposed permeable asphalt. However, to mitigate any surface water draining onto Buxton Road during more extreme weather events the Planning Application Form states that a concrete dished drainage channel will be

installed across the access drive near to where it enters the car park. The water from the channel will discharge into a trapped gully and then into a 1m³ stone soakaway located within the site.

It should be noted that a public footpath crosses the access drive near its junction with Buxton Road. The safety of users of the footpath should be maintained during any construction works.

Conclusion

Based on the analysis of the information submitted and a review of Local and National policy the Highway Authority concludes that there would not be an unacceptable impact on Highway Safety or a severe impact on congestion. There are no justifiable grounds on which an objection could be maintained.

Conditions

Prior to the first use of the resurfaced car park, the parking bays shall be marked out in accordance with drawing WBUC 04.

Reason: To ensure conformity with submitted details

Informatives

Drainage arrangements shall be provided to ensure that surface water from the car park and driveway does not discharge onto the public highway. No drainage or effluent from the proposed development shall be allowed to discharge into any highway drain or over any part of the public highway.

There is a public right of way running through the site, the applicant will be required to contact the PROW team to arrange for an official diversion, if the applicant cannot guarantee the safety of the path users during the construction phase then they must apply to the PROW department at www.derbyshire.gov.uk/leisure/countryside/access/rights-of-way/faqs/frequently-asked-questions-faqs.aspx to arrange a temporary closure of the right of way for the duration of any works.

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Rhodes
Transport Development Management

Date Received	Case Officer	Reviewer	Date Issued
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27 July 2026	Jenny Rhodes	Adrian Martin	30 July 2026
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