

**From:** [Amelia Elve](#)  
**To:** [Planning East](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Holding objection re planning application 2025/137/OUT from Westbury-sub-Mendip PC  
**Date:** 10 February 2025 13:34:33

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Hi,

Please can the email below be uploaded to the public file as PC comment?

Many thanks,

Millie

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Dear Amelia Elve

**Ref: 2025/0137/OUT**

Application of policy WM1 – specifically provision of safe pedestrian links to core of village. The village has been very poorly served by both Highways and Lichfields on this matter during pre-application consultations. Community engagement on this matter has failed and given the critical aspect of this item to the community this is not acceptable. The importance of provision of safe pedestrian access to the core of the village has been headlined by us to local authority officers, to the Church Commissioners and their agents since at least 2022. Highways have failed to engage as stated by the Parish Council at Full Council in early January this year. Lichfields have withheld data we requested in the spring of 2024.

Westbury sub Mendip Parish Council therefore wish to lodge a holding objection to this application as the data relevant for the assessment of pedestrian safety was not shared with us as requested and there has been no meaningful reason given why that is the case. We asked for the data some months ago and were refused access being told we had to wait for the application to be submitted. Now this has been submitted we need time with our advisors to look through the data to make a meaningful response. We estimate it will take us over a month from after we have met with Highways teams, as requested, to fully assess the data and potential solutions and a further month to agree solutions acceptable to Highways.

Please notify Jon Fellingham and other members of the Highways team involved with this application that no further consideration of the proposal should be concluded until after the parish council has had time to develop solutions in agreement with Highways.

Regards

Sue Isherwood

Chair Westbury Sub Mendip Parish Council

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