

**Consultation Response from KC,
Highways Development Management**

2025/92459 10A, Regent Street, Heckmondwike, WF16 0HD

Change of use of taxi booking office and car park to hand car wash

Date Responded: 18 August 2026

Responding Officer: Sheila Henley

Responding Ref: 9-10SW/1

Recommendation: No objection.

Revised Plan Ref: 2538 0001A; Vehicle Accumulation - Car Wash Regent Street, and Regent Street Technical Note Rev 1.

HDM notes the revisions and explanations in Rev 1 of the Technical Note, Proposed Vehicle Accumulation - Car Wash 10A Regent Street, Heckmondwike, and shown on the layout Drawing 2538 0001A. The proposal continues to indicate an in and out arrangement with an internal anticlockwise one-way loop layout. The layout now shows that there could be capacity for up to seven vehicles progressing through the washing process, plus other manoeuvring, and parking space. Additionally, further analysis of the predicted vehicle accumulations within the proposal site indicates that the maximum accumulation outside of the traditional weekday peak hours is likely to be between four and five vehicles to suggest containment within the site.

HDM agrees that the operation at the proposed car wash is likely to be efficient and contained within the site now, reducing the risk of queue spill back onto Regent Street and impact on the town's traffic circulation system. Furthermore, these details are enough to overcome the highway objection. There being insufficient grounds now to defend a recommendation of refusal since it is demonstrated that there would not be severe adverse impacts on the transport network in terms of capacity, congestion or cumulative. Additionally, there is no evidence presented to indicate that there would be an unacceptable impact on highway safety.

Accordingly, no objection is raised.