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To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/1506

Categories: Comments Received

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 02/11/2025 4:23 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Oxcroft Farm Henfield Road Small Dole Henfield West Sussex BN5 9XE
Proposal:	Permission in Principle for a residential development with the erection of up to 9no. dwellings.
Case Officer:	Daniel Holmes

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Customer Details

Address: 20 Fitzherbert House Kingsmead Richmond

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Loss of General Amenity- Overdevelopment
Comments:	I am a member of the British Regional Transport Association(BRTA) which is a small unincorporated voluntary association which subject to resources, seeks to advance towards better public transport across the United Kingdom. Indeed, we are very keen to see a rolling programme of local line reopenings, rebuilds and select new builds of conventional railways for passenger and freight. We also campaign for an environmentally friendly, integrated, comprehensive, inclusive and affordable transport system including buses, cycling and pedestrian facilities.

Website: <https://brtarail.com/>

I am now writing to say that I object to this development since we would like to reopen the Horsham to Shoreham line, which has been closed for about 60 years but much of the original track-beds survive. Re-opening that railway line with cycle and footpaths would provide a

'transport-leisure corridor which could cut congestion, reduce road traffic, save land, make modest development more sustainable and offer many new rail direct journeys currently laboriously lengthy, costly, inconvenient or non-existent.

Indeed in some places the trackbed could be widened and with suitable fencing, a cycle- cum-walkway can still share the corridor, and that we believe is detrimental to the wider areas the rail link could serve with associated benefits.

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]
British Regional Transport Association

Kind regards

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