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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/2079
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 28/01/2026 10:26 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Cotlands Paddock Horsham Road Cowfold West Sussex RH13 8AH
Proposal:	Use of land for the stationing of 4no. static caravans for (Gypsy and Traveller) residential purposes and associated day rooms.
Case Officer:	Shazia Penne

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Customer Details

Address:	8 Barleycroft cowfold
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Loss of General Amenity - Other
Comments:	I wish to formally object to this application on the grounds of Loss of General Amenity and Other (site misuse and environmental harm). The application site is already being used in a manner that is unlawful and highly detrimental to local residents. In the 28th Jan, large quantities of building waste have been deposited on the land and set alight, resulting in prolonged smoke across the village. During this incident, PM2.5 particulate levels were recorded at

approximately 391 µg/m³, a level which is many times higher than accepted health-based limits and poses a serious risk to public health. Measurement taken from sussex-air.net.

This has had a direct and material impact on residential amenity, including:

Severe degradation of air quality

Inability for residents to open windows or use gardens

Health concerns arising from inhalation of fine particulate matter.

Ongoing distress and nuisance caused by smoke, odour, and burning waste.

The current situation demonstrates a clear failure to manage the land responsibly and raises serious concerns about the applicant's willingness or ability to comply with planning conditions, environmental regulations, and public health requirements should permission be implemented.

Given that the site already benefits from planning permission, the fact that it is being used for the unauthorised storage and burning of waste is particularly concerning. This behaviour fundamentally undermines confidence in the applicant and is a material planning consideration when assessing whether further or continued development is appropriate.

The proposed use, in the context of the site's current misuse, would exacerbate harm to local amenity and is wholly incompatible with a residential rural setting.

For these reasons, I strongly urge the Local Planning Authority to refuse this proposal and to consider whether enforcement action is required in respect of the site's current activities.

Kind regards

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