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Sent: 05 April 2025 13:03
To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/0151

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 05/04/2025 1:02 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The North and South of Mercer Road Warnham West Sussex
Proposal:	Redevelopment of the site to provide 304 residential units, parking, a retail unit, public car park, public open space, attenuation basins and landscaping
Case Officer:	Matthew Porter

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Customer Details

Address:	14 Skylark View Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Consultee
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Loss of General Amenity- Overdevelopment- Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	Dear Ms Parkes and Mr Porter

I have today received notice of the Council's intention to build an additional 304 homes on Mercer road in Warnham. As a resident of the local area I am writing to express my increasing concern as to the number of new developments being added to the area. As of late we are seeing more and more of the local wildlife areas being consumed by new build housing plots, without the amenities to facilitate these new homes- not to mention the lack of green land that initially attracted a London commuter based family to Horsham.

I am under no illusion the Government's ongoing pressure to build more homes, however as a local resident we do not have the doctor surgeries, nurseries, hospital services, or schools at present to serve the community. I would therefore like to request the Committee considers very carefully as to how it is planning to facilitate the additional 304, homes and therefore 304 families once these homes are built. I would presume these basic services will all be taken into account as part of the town planning and be built at the same time as we currently do not have

enough amenities to serve this community as it stands.

Separate to this, I am of the understanding that the build of new supermarket on the A264 has halted as Morrisons has pulled out. The wildlife in this area has already been pushed out of this space and the landscape levelled, why are we looking to build homes a mile up the road when there is a perfectly good location on the A264, if you have to build them, why not build them there?

To quote many of my neighbours, friends and family in the area, Horsham is quickly becoming an overbuilt town with new build home applications being routinely approved with what appears to be without consideration as to how the council will service its residents with the basic amenities. I do not believe I would be alone in wanting to know what the projected plans from both the house builder, Council and town planner -who should have oversight of this and be part of these conversations so that a full map and budget is drawn up with clear indication as to where the GP surgery and schooling is planned to be situated before you approve these plans.

The letter received states it's not possible for all responses to be replied to, but I do believe the request to see working evidence as to how this area will be serviced is not an unreasonable one.

I am at present against the current proposal but would appreciate any feedback you can give on the above.

Kind regards,

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