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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 5:11 PM.

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: Bluebell Cottage Bolney Road Cowfold

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment: - Other

Comments: I wish to object to this planning application on environmental and public health grounds.

[REDACTED], a large quantity of waste material on the site was set alight and left to burn and smoulder over two nights, resulting in thick, noxious smoke spreading across the village of Cowfold.

West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service confirmed they were responding to this incident. [REDACTED]

The resulting smoke had a strong chemical odour and persisted for many hours. This was not a small or isolated incident but a significant pollution event affecting a wide residential area, including vulnerable residents and a nearby nursing home.

On the day following the last overnight burning incident, the Cowfold roadside air quality monitor recorded a significant spike in pollution levels classified as "Very High", which is an extremely rare and serious rating for the centre of the village. While Cowfold does experience background pollution issues, this reading represents a substantial and acute deterioration in air quality consistent with the reported burning of waste materials.

This sequence of events demonstrates:

- a disregard for environmental protection, [REDACTED],
- and behaviour that has already caused demonstrable harm to local air quality and public health.

Planning policy requires confidence that development proposals will not result in unacceptable environmental impacts, and that applicants demonstrate responsible land management. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

For these reasons, I believe the application should be refused on environmental and public health grounds. [REDACTED]

Kind regards

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