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Sent: 25 November 2025 19:37:09 UTC+00:00
To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/1700
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 25/11/2025 7:37 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Slips West End Lane Henfield West Sussex BN5 9RG
Proposal:	Change of use of the land for the stationing of 4no. gypsy and traveller static caravans for residential purposes and 5no. associated dayrooms.
Case Officer:	Daniel Holmes

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Customer Details

Address:	Burnleigh House West End Lane Henfield
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Design- Loss of General Amenity- Other- Overdevelopment- Privacy Light and Noise- Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I strongly object to the proposed development which is located in a tranquil rural area beyond the built up boundary and which is enjoyed by the many walkers, cyclists, runners and dog walkers who pass down West End Lane.

The proposal is entirely inappropriate for the current pastoral landscape, incongruous and unsympathetic to its surroundings, as well as remote from shops, public transport and drainage. It is not a strategic site or allocated in the Local or Neighbourhood Plans and its development would inevitably result in significant harm to the landscape and environment.

The apparently unapproved use of the site throughout the year as a caravan site has already given rise to a noise nuisance and harmed the amenity of neighbouring properties which would continue and grow under the proposals, exacerbated also by the any commercial use of the site which would be difficult to control.

There is no evidence of any unmet local need for further traveller pitches, especially as permission has already been granted for 10 pitches in Henfield in the last few years which represents over 10% of the identified requirement for all Horsham District in the Development Plan. This is already at odds with Government Guidance that seeks a broad geographic distribution of pitches to support the traditional and nomadic way of life.

The proposal seems contrary to the following Horsham District Planning Framework policies:
Policy 1, 2, 3 & 4: Not a strategic site or allocated in the Local or Neighbourhood Plans; not within a built-up area
Policy 23 & 39: Lack of safe access, essential services, or infrastructure capacity
Policy 25 & 31: Harm to the landscape and environment, including the setting of the South Downs National Park
Policy 33, 33.2, 33.4, 34: Loss of amenity, poor integration with surroundings, and unsympathetic design
Policy 40: No sustainable transport options; promotes car dependency

Kind regards

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