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**Subject:** Comments for Planning Application DC/25/0629  
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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 14/05/2025 10:59 PM.

### Application Summary

Address:	Former Novartis Site Parsonage Road Horsham West Sussex RH12 5AA
Proposal:	Residential development comprising approximately 206 dwellings, including the conversion of 'Building 3' and demolition of 'Building 36'. Vehicular access taken from Wimblehurst Road. Car and cycle parking, landscaping and open space and associated works. The replacement of the existing cedar trees at the site.
Case Officer:	Jason Hawkes

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### Customer Details

Address:	137 Acorn Avenue Cowfold Horsham
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### Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	There is no reason to fell/remove all the cedar trees on the site and they are of environmental importance, with 7 of these being healthy and of graded A in 2018, (not long ago in the life of a cedar tree) and all protected with TPOs. I suspect the trees have been downgraded to enable their removal.

Trees are vital to our well-being and it is just not acceptable in the slightest to state that these mature trees will be 'replaced'.

They have importance in the removal of pollution, (the site being near busy roads and the railway line) and key amenity value in this area, as well as being vital for residents' well-being and mental health.

It is perfectly possible to develop much needed houses here without the removal of these statuesque trees (maybe stick to the original 206 instead of the new proposal for 244 if the trees are 'in the way'?)

Housing is needed of course, but so is a beautiful and enriching natural environment for the well-being of residents, and the appeal of Horsham as a place to live and work.

Please do not allow these cedars to be felled, there is no need to reduce Horsham to a concrete jungle.

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Kind regards

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