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Sent: 06 November 2025 13:28:25 UTC+00:00
To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/1312
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 06/11/2025 1:28 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land West of Ifield Charlwood Road Ifield West Sussex
Proposal:	Hybrid planning application (part outline and part full planning application) for a phased, mixed use development comprising: A full element covering enabling infrastructure including the Crawley Western Multi-Modal Corridor (Phase 1, including access from Charlwood Road and crossing points) and access infrastructure to enable servicing and delivery of secondary school site and future development, including access to Rusper Road, supported by associated infrastructure, utilities and works, alongside: An outline element (with all matters reserved) including up to 3,000 residential homes (Class C2 and C3), commercial, business and service (Class E), general industrial (Class B2), storage or distribution (Class B8), hotel (Class C1), community and education facilities (Use Classes F1 and F2), gypsy and traveller pitches (sui generis), public open space with sports pitches, recreation, play and ancillary facilities, landscaping, water abstraction boreholes and associated infrastructure, utilities and works, including pedestrian and cycle routes and enabling demolition. This hybrid planning application is for a phased development intended to be capable of coming forward in distinct and separable phases and/or plots in a severable way.|cr|
Case Officer:	Jason Hawkes

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Customer Details

Address:	2 Normans Cottages High Street Rusper

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Loss of General Amenity - Other - Overdevelopment
Comments:	I object strongly to this planning application on the grounds of overdevelopment and loss of general amenity. The BBC released an article on East Surrey Hospital on October 13th this year, relating to the pressures that they were under due to high demands and lack of staff (article below.) With the many thousands of houses that have been built in this area in recent years, the number of residents has increased exponentially, resulting in extremely long waits both at A&E and for appointments and surgery. This situation will only deteriorate if this massive development of 3,000 houses(increasing to 10,000 in a few years) is allowed to proceed. The ultimate result will be loss of lives. "Hospital A&E under significant pressure, trust says A trust has said sorry for holding patients in corridors ByJoshua Askew BBC South East Published 13 October 2025 A hospital emergency department is under significant pressure due to staffing levels and high demand, an NHS trust has said. Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust said East Surrey Hospital A&E in Redhill was grappling with an early increase in winter viruses. The trust said: "Holding any patients in the main corridor is always a last resort and we are very sorry to patients who have been cared for in this way." It comes amid a rise in Covid cases with new variants Nimbus and Stratus circulating around the UK.. Data from the UK Health Security Agency shows that the common cold - which can be dangerous for vulnerable people - has also been on the increase in recent weeks. Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust said it was "urgently" trying to get corridor patients into an appropriate setting as quickly as possible.

It added: "Our staff are working hard to keep patients safe, support ambulance services... and admit all those who need our care."

The trust urged people with non-urgent conditions to use other NHS services, such as 111, their local pharmacy or GP, or nearby treatment centres at Crawley, Caterham Dene, Horsham and East Grinstead." (https://www.bbc.co.uk)

I would also like to object to HDC's abysmal planning portal which is frequently not working, closed for maintenance or logs you out due to too much time being spent composing comments. The unavailability of the portal has caused people to abandon their attempts to comment as the whole process has been too frustrating. Typing a comment, only to lose it all due to being timed out makes one think, why bother? With over 300 documents from HE to wade through, commenting is not a quick process. I have found that the only way to do this is to make a word document and copy and paste, but this need formatting, or email HDC direct.
I urge you to refuse this planning application.

Kind regards

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