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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/1899
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 11/12/2025 9:37 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The South of Amberley Close Playing Fields Rowlands Road Horsham West Sussex RH12 4LH
Proposal:	Erection of 1no single-storey detached self-build / custom-build dwelling with associated works.
Case Officer:	Hannah Darley

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Customer Details

Address:	5 Coniston Close Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
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:	<p>I wish to object to planning application DC/25/1899 for the proposed single-storey dwelling on the land adjoining Amberley Close Playing Field, directly in front of properties on Rowlands Road.</p> <p>1. Loss of General Amenity. The development would result in the permanent loss of a long-established green space that is actively</p>

used by the local community for recreation, dog walking and children's play. This area has served local residents for decades and is one of the few open communal spaces within the neighbourhood. Its loss would negatively impact the wellbeing, leisure opportunities and social cohesion of the community. The construction phase would also disrupt public use of the adjacent playing fields and football pitch.

2. Health & Safety Concerns. There is no safe vehicle access to the proposed plot. Access is only possible via the public playing field, which is heavily used by families, children, dog walkers and sports groups. Vehicle movements across a public recreation space present an unacceptable health and safety risk and are incompatible with the site's current lawful recreational use.

3. Parking and Highway Impact. Rowlands Road already experiences high levels of on-street parking pressure. Any additional parking linked to the proposed dwelling, residents, deliveries, and visitor, would intensify congestion. This is inconsistent with maintaining safe access for existing residents and service vehicles.

4. Impact on Neighbouring Residents Privacy and Loss of Light. The proposed building would be positioned very close to existing homes on Rowlands Road. This would lead to:

- Loss of privacy for residents whose gardens and windows directly face the development.
- Loss of natural light due to the proximity and orientation of the new structure.

This represents an unacceptable overbearing impact on the quality of life of surrounding households.

5. Inappropriate Use of Designated Green Space. This land forms part of a valued green gap and is not intended for residential development. Allowing a private dwelling would set a concerning precedent for future encroachment onto well used open space.

For the reasons above, loss of amenity, health and safety risks, inadequate access, parking pressures, overshadowing and privacy loss, and inappropriate development on green space, I strongly object to this application and respectfully request that it is refused.

Thank you for considering my objection.

Kind regards

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