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Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/1899
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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 11/12/2025 9:58 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:	27 Shepherds Way Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	<p>I am writing to register my formal objection to the above planning application for the construction of a two-storey building in close proximity to the children's park located at Rowlands Road/Amberley Park.</p> <p>1. Impact on Child Safety and Welfare The proposed development poses a significant risk to the safety and wellbeing of children who use the park. Increased traffic during and after construction-both vehicular and pedestrian-could</p>

raise the likelihood of accidents. The presence of an additional building so close to a designated play area may also reduce natural surveillance, potentially compromising safeguarding for young park users.

2. Loss of Open Space and Community Value

Amberley Park is a valued community asset, offering families a safe and open environment for recreation. Constructing a building nearby may diminish the openness of the space, overshadow parts of the park, and negatively affect its atmosphere and usability. Any reduction in perceived openness can discourage families from using the space as frequently.

3. Noise, Disturbance, and Construction Disruption

The construction process will inevitably bring noise, dust, and disruption. In an area used daily by children, including those with sensory sensitivities, this level of disturbance is particularly inappropriate. Long-term noise or increased activity from the building's intended use could also alter the park's quiet, family-friendly character.

4. Environmental and Ecological Concerns

The green space around the park supports local biodiversity. Additional development may disturb wildlife, reduce green cover, and place strain on the small ecosystem that exists around the play area. Insufficient mitigation measures appear to be included in the current proposal.

5. Visual Impact and Overdevelopment

Even one two-storey building can have an adverse visual impact when positioned so close to an open recreational space. The proposal contributes to incremental overdevelopment in an area designed to remain open and accessible for public benefit.

Conclusion

For the reasons outlined above-relating to child safety, loss of community value, environmental impact, and overall unsuitability of the location-I respectfully request that the planning authority refuse this application.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Kind regards

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