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Sent: 12 May 2025 17:27:52 UTC+01:00
To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/0629
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 12/05/2025 5:27 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:	9 Wimblehurst Road West Sussex HORSHAM
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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">- Highway Access and Parking- Loss of General Amenity- Overdevelopment
Comments:	My comments reflect the other part of this scheme, as in reality this Novartis scheme should be looked at as a whole, trying to put these through as two separate applications is frankly extremely misleading:

This scheme was already over-developed, but at least retains a purpose commercially, potentially employing local people after the closure of Novartis. This latest version is now **HUGELY OVERDEVELOPED**.

The local area surrounding the site is predominantly low density housing, this is not a town-centre location, the road infrastructure surrounding the site will be massively impacted. Parsonage Road lights are already a nightmare to cross with huge queues back to the roundabout with North Heath Lane and Wimblehurst Road. Wimblehurst Road traffic lights again are extremely difficult to navigate at peak times. Introducing this level of vehicles to the area will simply exacerbate the situation, turning the area into a traffic no-go area.

There are many other reasons that this overdevelopment is not reasonable, schooling, lack of proper hospital provision for the area etc. But put simply I cannot understand, despite the need for additional housing in the area and this being a brown-field site, why permission would be considered for a residential area that is this densely built and so out of context with its area (and significantly higher density than any other scheme in the Horsham district).

Should this site be given permission, then the planning department need to have a long hard look at their policies....
Thank you.

Kind regards

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