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**From:** Planning@horsham.gov.uk  
**Sent:** 01 May 2025 11:48  
**To:** Planning  
**Subject:** Comments for Planning Application DC/25/0362

**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 01/05/2025 11:48 AM.

### Application Summary

**Address:** Menzies Wood Farm Okehurst Lane Billingshurst West Sussex RH14 9HR

**Proposal:** Full planning permission for demolition of existing workshop, barn and offices and erection of a new barn and workshop building and office building and creation of open storage along with the full enclosure and refurbishment of existing barn for the continuation of uses on site falling within use classes B1(c) and B8, including the repair and maintenance of trailers and ancillary equipment; assembly of new trailers, horse boxes (including those with accommodation on board); trailer, motorhome and horse box conversions; pre sales work and customer collections; and the preparation and loading of trailers and horse boxes for export following grant of DC/18/0661.

**Case Officer:** Amanda Wilkes

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### Customer Details

**Address:** Sherlocks, Okehurst Lane Billingshurst

### Comments Details

**Commenter Type:** Neighbour

**Stance:** Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application

**Reasons for comment:**

- Highway Access and Parking
- Loss of General Amenity

**Comments:** [REDACTED]  
Sherlocks,  
Okehurst Lane,  
Billingshurst,  
West Sussex.  
RH149HR.

27th April 2025

Comments on HDC planning application DC/25/0362

To The Planning Officer Amanda Wilkes,

This application appears very similar to DC/18/0661, previously submitted and permitted with a number of conditions. These conditions were and are, very important to the amenity of the site's neighbours and all residents in Okehurst Lane. I live opposite the site.

I request that these conditions are included in any permission given to this current application.

The main concerns are noise emanating from activities on site and traffic activity in the lane. Okehurst Lane has been correctly described as a rural, width restricted, council maintained lane, subject to the national speed limit, which serves public paths that connect to the wider area, suitable for walkers, cyclists and equestrians. Please note that since the last application, the number of residential addresses by postcode in the lane has increased from 19 to 26.

Noise concerns will be mitigated by the siting and sound proofing of new buildings, providing conditions require approval of sound proofing prior to occupation and use is conditioned with doors and windows closed.

Traffic concerns will be mitigated by a restriction on HGV movements ( Over 3500kgs or with 3 or more axles ), and a ban on all retail sales.

The claim of no increase in traffic movements ( 12 x 2-way movements ) as a result of this permission is based on the continued employment of 3 persons. This is flawed due to no control should the site be sold on. Public transport provision is not adequate to be a considered option.

The condition of no retail sales is in danger of erosion due to a request for " pre sales work and customer collections by appointment only ". This request should be denied. The current business relies on its retail site at Coneyhurst which could be abandoned in favour of Okehurst Lane.

Please continue to protect and enhance the local amenity of this quiet lane by conditioning any permission adequately.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

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Kind regards

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