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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0933
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 09/09/2026 8:54 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Between Muntham Drive and Smugglers' Lane Chapel Road Barns Green West Sussex
Proposal:	Erection of 31 dwellings with access from Chapel Road including roads, parking and open space.
Case Officer:	Alice Johnson

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Customer Details

Address: 1 Park View Cottages Sandhills Road Barns Green

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Other - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I am writing to object to the proposed development of houses very near to our house opposite the Barns Green Village Hall and extending onto Chapel Road opposite the Queen's Head pub. I have lived in Barns Green with my family for the last 10 years and I feel that apart from anything else we already have enough new

houses with the Sumner's Ponds estate and they can't even sell all of those. As a young person I would like to make a few points:

1. Overdevelopment - it doesn't make sense to me to build more houses when young people can't afford the ones already built and it is almost impossible to get onto the property ladder with house prices being so high and the idea of 'affordable homes' for people like me in Barns Green when just a 2 bedroom is around £500,000.

2. Traffic and safety - with so many new homes it is going to make Chapel Road much busier, especially at the junction and more dangerous around there with not only the number of cars with it already being a busy road, but also with how fast people are likely to drive with many people I have already seen ignoring the speed limit around there

4. It is going to be a lot noisier in the village with more cars and higher levels of CO2 unless everyone on the new development has electric cars and speaking as someone who is aware of our climate heating up (especially recently with the extended heat wave due to complacency from past generations) I am not happy at all about that and the effects more cars will also have on my lungs and other people

5. Having looked briefly at the plans there are also going to getting rid of about 15 metres of hedgerows and they are what helps to make a village look like a village I guess. Don't we need to be retaining some wildlife instead of destroying it?

6. I'm not expert on history, but it does seem a bit odd to have a new housing development right next door to a really old house, which I think is what they call Grade 2 - it just doesn't look right to me especially when on the other side of the road you also have very old houses.

7. I thought we were also meant to be building homes in Brownfield Sites and not on green fields and while I appreciate that we may have to sacrifice some fields to build houses, are the council doing enough to make sure we are not destroying too many fields as I personally would prefer to live around a town with better transport access, lower cost of living and being able to mix with younger people instead of a village where, to be honest, older people tend to live, no offence.

Thanks for listening

Kind regards

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