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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0945
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 08/07/2026 2:23 PM.

Application Summary

Address: Abingworth Nurseries Storrington Road Thakeham West Sussex

Proposal: Variation of condition 1 of previously approved application reference DC/22/0773 (Variation of Condition 1 of previously approved application DC/19/1707 (Revised layout for Phase 3 of the Abingworth Meadows development (Original application ref: DC/10/1314) to provide for 75 dwellings including 26 affordable dwellings and community studio workshops). Amendment to buffer strip to reflect an additional swale with landscaping (part retrospective).

Case Officer: Jason Hawkes

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Customer Details

Address: 2Strawberry Close Thakeham Pulborough

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment: - Design

Comments: I support the application in principle, BUT WITH RESERVATIONS
! Recent winters with heavy rainfall have shown that the swale is vital for effective surface water management in Abingworth Meadows Phase 3 and for Phase 2 properties previously affected

by excessive rain .Thus, it is a necessary addition to the original plan. It is not attractive and requires further planting to stabilise the steep banks. The outflow pipe has probably been set too low and surely a silt trap is also required to prevent clogging and increased future maintenance costs ? There should be a CIL contribution from Bellway Homes paid to the future owner of this area, as annual maintenance will be required.

Public access through this area is clearly now not a sensible option, it should be protected by locked gates. The remaining buffer zone area should also be protected for nature, as was the original intent.

I am aware of and sympathetic to the privacy issues raised by some Phase 3 residents, but am not directly impacted by them .

Kind regards

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