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Subject: RE: URGENT - DC/25/0450, Land Off Northlands Lane Storrington, 1 Field, Storrington,

Hi Halima,

The response is full of contradictions which makes it hard to see how the site genuinely operates.

On one hand it seems there is a private booking system for the general public to use the space with one person to two dogs maximum. There is a code to enter the space, and this is changed regularly to ensure people who have not booked cannot gain entry. It is for private individuals to exercise their dogs and no commercial use. It then goes on to say that it is for the sole use of Doodley Dogs, which is a commercial enterprise.

The fact that "no one has complained" is not to be mistaken to mean that no one is disturbed by this use. If there is going to be a change of use granted, this is permanent authorisation, and must be properly managed to ensure that no one is disturbed.

In order to move things forward and progress, I suggest that the applicant submits a noise management plan detailing how they manage the site and bookings including what supervision arrangements are in place.

Best,

Fiona Hiron

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Sent: 26 June 2025 18:10

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Subject: URGENT - DC/25/0450, Land Off Northlands Lane Storrington, 1 Field, Storrington,
Importance: High

URGENT

Hi Fiona,

**DC/25/0450,
Land Off Northlands Lane Storrington, 1 Field, Storrington,
Change of use from agricultural to dog walking.**

Further to your consultation comments, please see below the additional information provided by the applicant.

Please kindly provide our department's comments by 10th July 2025.

Kind regards

Halima Chowdhury

Planning Officer

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Sent: 26 June 2025 16:53

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Subject: RE: URGENT - DC/25/0450, Land Off Northlands Lane Storrington, 1 Field, Storrington,

Dear Halima

I have already provided some of this information

The use of the field for dog walking is and would be very controlled

As advised in my email of 29 May

*Its use is by appointment only, and restricted to one user at a time
The normal hours of operation are 8 am to 6 pm*

So in response to all the points raised by EH

hours of use;	8 am to 6 pm
maximum number of users at a time;	One
maximum ratio of dogs to humans;	2
whether it is available to commercial dog walkers or trainers;	No
how waste will be managed;	There will be no waste
how users will be supervised;	Access is by locked gate with access code
complaints procedure;	Complaints will be handled by Doodley Dogs whose contact details are provided on site
refusal policy for users (how bookings are controlled and how banned users are assessed and prohibited from making future bookings).	Banned users will be refused bookings and the access code will be changed

This department needs to be able to assess whether there will be a noise impact to local residents, therefore all information regarding how this is managed and supervised is required in order to help us assess the potential risk.

The site has been used for this purpose for about 8 years and there have been no complaints to Doodley Dogs in that time, and as there will be no change to the arrangements currently in place there are unlikely to be any other complaints.

I would advise that this use ensures that there is on site presence which reduces considerably the risk of other unlawful activities such as motor bike scrambling, flytipping, camping

It is not clear whether Doodley Dogs will be the exclusive user of this field, or whether they will merely be managing bookings.

Doodley Dogs will be the exclusive user

As you have now had this application well over the 8 weeks that is the time limit for determination, please confirm that a decision will be issued by
3rd July

Kind regards

Peter Dragonetti

From: Halima.Chowdhury [mailto:Halima.Chowdhury@horsham.gov.uk]

Sent: 26 June 2025 14:25

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Importance: High

URGENT

Dear Mr Peter Dragonetti

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Land Off Northlands Lane Storrington, 1 Field, Storrington,
Change of use from agricultural to dog walking.**

I refer to your email below and I duly note your comments.

Please see attached Environmental Health Consultation Comments and please kindly provide the requested information.

I would be grateful if the additional information could be provided by 04th July 2025.

Kind regards

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Subject: DC/25/0450, Land Off Northlands Lane Storrington, 1 Field, Storrington,

Dear Halima

I note that the deadline for determination of this application has passed, and I am therefore minded to make an Appeal on the grounds of failure of Horsham District Council to determine the application in accordance with Section 78 of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act

Please can you advise if you are in a position to determine this application to avoid the expense the Council will incur in responding to an appeal, particularly if you are minded to grant this application

Kind regards

Peter Dragonetti

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