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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/1186
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 15/09/2026 9:31 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land North of Rectory Lane Ashington West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline Application for redevelopment of the site to provide up to 125 dwellings, access, public open space and associated landscaping, drainage and highways infrastructure with all matters reserved except access.
Case Officer:	Sam Whitehouse

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Customer Details

Address: 10 Rectory Close Ashington Pulborough West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I wish to register my objection to this planning application. This was not considered a sustainable development in the initial

draft Local Plan, but now is being proposed for addition to the plan. I cannot see anything that has changed that would make this a sustainable site.

The Ashington Neighbourhood Plan has already chosen sites suitable for the village up until 2031. HDC have already approved an additional 74 houses above and beyond that plan despite objections from all residents and many consultees. It would be unacceptable to add even more houses in to the village. This is not the appropriate response to previous democratically, legally made and approved plans.

The infrastructure does not support additional houses -
School near capacity.
Local roads taking large numbers of traffic already.
Safety concerns with the narrow nature of this old route - Rectory Lane.
Vulnerable road user groups and a Pre-school along the already busy route to the site.
Main shop already difficult to park at through the day.
No doctors surgery. Nearest ones not easy to get to by public transport.
Water extraction issues in an area already under water stress.
High reliance on the car already in the village, and location of this site means many will drive to village amenities and facilities.
Poor internet and phone signal.
Loss of green fields, and associated wildlife and suitable habitats.

There are no clear mitigating factors, or new or improved infrastructure, that show why this site should be developed. Build the others first and then see what the village needs.

The cumulative impact of yet another site must be considered as well as all proposed house building in the district. As a village next to a main arterial route, this must be considered for traffic impact on the village and increased use of existing facilities.

Kind regards

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