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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 2:52 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: Warminghurst House Park Lane Ashington Pulborough West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Other - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I object to this application on the grounds of the accumulative effect that further development will have on the village of

Ashington that has already exceeded the number of houses in the Neighbourhood Plan.

My categories for objection are:-

- damage to the environment and ecology of good agricultural land, the surrounding hedgerows and ancient oak trees, and the effect this will have on the biodiversity of the area.

- There have been no surveys conducted for sewage or flooding. The increase in demand for water where the South is already at stretched capacity is untenable. In 2023 HDC deemed this site unsuitable for development. Nothing has changed on the site and so their judgement should stand as 'unsuitable for development'.

- The transport system for the area does not provide a suitable timetable to make travel to work feasible and thus there would be a necessary reliance on private cars and vehicles. The increase in these that would inevitably use Rectory Lane would be extremely detrimental to all.

- Rectory Lane is a single track rural LANE and not fit for any increase in traffic. It is used by the local population for their well-being, for walks, cycling and horse riding.

It is totally unsuitable for traffic passing northwards towards Warminghurst to join Park Lane, and any further increase would cause a deterioration to the Heritage site of the Grade 1 listed historic twelfth century Church of the Holy Sepulchre at Warminghurst.

The steep hills with a sharp bend which causes grounding, make it an unfit route to be considered feasible for such a development.

- the infrastructure of the village is at capacity and further development would cause a chronic situation for the village community. The school would be overstretched, as would parking locally for the shops, and there being no medical provision of a doctors' surgery. Many local residents feel that these developments are being dumped on a village that has character and a good local community, at the risk of these being destroyed.

Kind regards

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