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Sent: 04 September 2026 17:28:01 UTC+01:00
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 04/09/2026 5:28 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:	Valewood Valewood lane barns green
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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 - Other - Overdevelopment - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	Re: DC/26/0933 - Erection of 31 dwellings with access from Chapel Road I would like to object to this planning application due to the impact I believe it would have on Barns Green.

My main concern is the proposed access onto Chapel Road. This is already a busy and narrow part of the village, particularly around the village shop and pub, where cars regularly park and pedestrians cross. Adding access for a further 31 homes would significantly increase the number of vehicle movements and could make this area more dangerous for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers.

I am also concerned about the impact on the local environment and wildlife. The development would result in the loss of open countryside and potentially established hedgerows, which provide important habitats and shelter for wildlife. These green spaces are an important part of the rural character of Barns Green and, once lost to development, cannot easily be replaced.

There are also concerns about the pressure that further development would place on the village's existing infrastructure, including drainage, sewage capacity and flooding. I do not feel there is enough certainty that these existing issues will not be made worse by another significant development.

The village has already seen considerable recent development, and I feel that a further estate of this size would have a disproportionate impact on what is still a relatively small rural community.

For these reasons, I believe the potential harm to road safety, local infrastructure, wildlife and the rural character of Barns Green outweighs the benefits of this proposal, and I respectfully ask that the application is refused.

Kind regards

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