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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/2057
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 03/05/2026 10:19 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land North of Little Slaughterford Chapel Road Barns Green West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed development of 68 dwellings with vehicular and pedestrian accesses, public open space, hard and soft landscaping and associated works including supporting foul and surface water drainage works, and works to existing culverted watercourse on site.
Case Officer:	Alice Johnson

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Customer Details

Address: Valewood Farmhouse Valewood Lane Horsham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Other - Overdevelopment
Comments:	I wish to make a further comment in response to the latest consultation reply from the sewerage undertaker regarding capacity. The conclusion that there is sufficient capacity to accommodate

this development is difficult to reconcile with the well-documented history of sewage overflow events at the Barns Green treatment works. There is clear evidence that, during periods of heavy rainfall, untreated sewage is discharged into Parsons Brook, indicating that the system is already operating beyond its effective capacity under real conditions.

The latest response appears to focus on the point of connection rather than providing a comprehensive assessment of the wider network and treatment works performance. It does not address the frequency or causes of these overflow events, nor does it provide assurance that additional flows from this development would not exacerbate existing pollution.

In the absence of a robust and transparent assessment of cumulative capacity - taking into account existing pressures and recent development - there remains significant uncertainty as to whether the infrastructure can support further growth without environmental harm.

I respectfully request that the Local Planning Authority gives careful consideration to whether sufficient and reliable evidence has been provided to demonstrate that foul drainage impacts can be adequately mitigated before determining the application.

Kind regards

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