

HDC Planning
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14, Turnpike Way
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21-4-23

Objection to Planning Application DC/23/0406

Dear Sir,

Why are things so very difficult. My on line attempts are constantly being "Timed Out"! I hope you receive this before the deadline for comments.

Object

Highways & Access Parking

Other

Overdevelopment.

Planning Received

24 APR 2023

Name:

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I strongly object to Bellways current application for development in Ashington. In its present form it neither acknowledges requirements in Policy ASH11 nor meets the findings of our Ashington Neighbourhood Plan which was signed off by HDC in the past & designed to cover the needs of Ashington until 2031. This Plan took many years to evolve & was finally produced after much consultation with residents, HDC, & specialist advisors. It produced a cohesive plan relevant to the needs of not only the village, but the local authority too, in a way that was sustainable.

The new application for 180 homes on a now much reduced sized plot & extending further westwards, originally allocated for 140 homes. This brings with it not only a higher density of development but increased traffic flow on a single access road that is already congested & has safety issues for children walking to the local Primary School. There is no mention of protecting land for the future development of the Village School - which will be very much needed.

not facilities to maintain the "Forest School" activities which the children love & benefit from.

There is no commercial property on the site. The facts given to HDC are incorrect.

Previous Flooding Mitigation issues have not been addressed at all.

Apart from the above mentioned there are other concerns

1. Public Transport - Buses only go hourly, through the day, between Worthing $\leftrightarrow$ Ashington $\leftrightarrow$ Horsham $\leftrightarrow$ Crawley & finish tea time! Over the years several County Bus Routes have been axed as being unviable.

2. Sports Facilities - Those suggested seem unworkable. No visibility of the pitches from the suggested Pavilion site!

3. Water Neutrality - This has clearly not been thought through thoroughly. To me it seems to go against current HDC & County restrictions on new builds at the moment.

In my opinion the plans in their current form do not address the needs of Ashington or the local area. Hence my objection

Yours Sincerely,

