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Subject: Re: RE: DC/26/0006 - Land South of The Bowling Green, Henfield

From: , Hill View, 7 Henfield Common North, Henfield, BN5 9RL. **Email:**

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Reason for Comment: Design

Highway Access and Parking

Overdevelopment

Privacy Light and Noise

Trees and Landscaping

ACCESS: Very restricted, particularly severely affecting emergency service vehicles. Not only would there be an adverse effect on a regularly used Public Right of Way (PRW2547), but a private road shared by The Daisy Croft and Henfield Bowling Club would be transgressed. The sole vehicular access to the site will lead to a significant increase in traffic in Furners Mead and thence into Furners Lane, both of which are badly affected by parked cars; severe difficulties already exist in traffic turning into Henfield High Street.

HENFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (HNP) 2017-2031. In the HNP the site is identified as suitable for up to 10 single-storey dwellings ideal for older people. This application fails to comply with Section 5.34 of the HNP.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: The elevated site lies behind a row of Victorian cottages on Henfield Common North and forms part of a conservation area. The height and setting of the proposed new houses means that they will be viewed from Henfield Common, which will be detrimental within such an area.

Of particular concern is the house proposed for Plot 9, which is closest to my property (named Dyke View in the planning documentation). This new house will directly affect the privacy of my property, which will also suffer from a loss of light caused by the hedge/fence proposed for the site's southern boundary.

DRAINAGE: This has been a major problem for Henfield Common North for some years and is an on-going issue affecting Henfield Common and Mill Lane. As the site is situated on higher ground, there is expected to be a severe risk of water run-off and flooding if a large portion is built upon with properties and associated hard-standing.

TREES AND ECOLOGY: There are two mature oak trees to the eastern boundary of the proposed site which are understood to be protected as TPO trees. Adjacent trees stand within a Root Protection Area.

CLOSING COMMENTS: For the reasons given above, as well as my considered opinion that the design and scale of the development is out of keeping with the surrounding neighbourhood, I strongly urge the Council to **refuse** this application.