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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0355
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 13/04/2026 3:02 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The Rear of The Copse Worthing Road Horsham West Sussex RH13 9AT
Proposal:	Construction of up to 23 residential dwellings, (including 9 affordable homes), including access, parking, landscaping and other associated infrastructure works.
Case Officer:	Kate Turner

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Customer Details

Address: 4 Welcome Place Southwater Horsham

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 the proposed development of the land to the rear of the Copse.

It is not a designated site in the Neighbourhood Plan.
The density of the housing in this proposal is extremely compact and very close to already existing houses. This would affect privacy and being overlooked, not only with existing properties, but within the development itself.
This is not the first development proposed on this parcel of land - previous applications have either been turned down or withdrawn. There are a number of three-storey houses, which, in a development of this size, with the houses being so close together, would adversely affect the quality of view and access to sunlight for existing properties.
This site is within the area, which according to Natural England "remains water stressed" (October 2025). More houses will put more strain on the water resources.
Increased traffic from the proposed development will access the Worthing Road extremely close to the Blakes Farm roundabout potentially causing danger/accidents/ congestion, especially during the rush hours when the Worthing Road is very busy. Unfortunately many of the existing semi-mature trees on the eastern periphery of the development were razed, when the unhealthy ash trees suffering from ash die back were felled. New saplings planted on new housing developments do not replace the carbon capture capabilities of mature trees, or create suitable habitats for the many animals and birds, which live there.
Public services in the village are stretched already and if no extra provision is made, this position will only become worse.
Southwater and the surrounding areas are in danger of being completely swallowed up with more and more houses with less balance of green spaces. The preservation of nature is important. This benefits people as well as the wildlife.
Submitted 13th April 2026

Kind regards

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