

THAKEHAM PARISH COUNCIL CONSULTATION COMMENTS

TO:	Horsham District Council – Planning Dept
SITE ADDRESS:	Land South of Furze Common Road Thakeham West Sussex
PROPOSAL:	Reserved matters application for up to 28 dwellings following approval of outline application DC/23/2146 relating to access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale
REFERENCE:	DC/26/1236
RECOMMENDATION:	Objection
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATION: Thakeham Parish Council (TPC) Objects to this application.	
MAIN COMMENTS: TPC Objects to the access, appearance and landscaping of this proposed development. We echo and support the concerns raised by the Conservation Officers report. We would insist that all south facing rooves have solar panels and all properties should have surface heat pumps installed as a minimum. The special design of the properties are too cramped – leaving any accessible greenspace to the far end of the development where this will undoubtedly be left and eventually end up as a dumping ground for litter and waste and runs the risk of not being maintained. The jamming in of properties and spaces for cars have left next to no spaces for visitors. Given the size of the properties, there will definitely be more than one car (probably 2 to 3) which will need to be parked and this will end up with cars strewn about on the narrow road running to the end of the site. TPC have consistently commented about the poor access to the site and given the narrow rat run down to the houses – we can see no effort has been made to incorporate a turn out lay by so cars can pass. Lastly, Thakeham Parish have dark skies and seeks to see no street lighting within the area.	
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS: The development is next door to existing homes at the entrance and along the Storrington road which are very old and not of traditional build. We would insist on a CMS that takes vibrations into consideration to protect the neighbouring homes and limit the access of large construction vehicles to lessen the impact of development whilst the properties are being built.	
NAME:	A.Brown (Parish Clerk)
DATE:	15.09.2026