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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0530
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 06/05/2026 9:25 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land at Hornbrook Farm Brighton Road West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 180 dwellings, open space and associated works and infrastructure with all matters reserved apart from access.
Case Officer:	Nicola Pettifer

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Customer Details

Address: Old Byre, Hornbrook Farm Brighton Road Horsham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I am sorry to see that, despite the considerable opposition to development of this land in past years, a planning application has once again found its way before the council. My objections remain as they have always been as the proposed drawing shows little benefit for the good of the town and surrounding environment.

The proposed building of 180 dwellings on this site is likely to see 300+ cars requiring access onto the A281. The access from the site is at a point where traffic from the south appears over the brow of a hill making safety a concern. Many cars will be travelling towards the town and funnelling themselves through already congested roads to get to local schools and other amenities. This side of Horsham doesn't have the capacity to allow traffic to flow freely.

I notice that a pedestrian crossing is also proposed to accommodate pedestrians. The single pavement along this stretch of the Brighton Road is very narrow and unlit with traffic often exceeding the 40mph limit.....not the most safe means of movement for the extra residents.

I also am very saddened that such a green area that abuts a AONB is being considered for housing. The other side of Horsham has multiple sites where builders are struggling to sell homes in the current climate yet apparently we still need more. Hornbrook Farm is a natural thoroughfare for wild animals moving around the area and a much better use of this land.

I see that the plan for the site has made some concessions to the environment - the mature trees and hedgerows have remained - but it seems that little has been done to upgrade the Riverside Walk. I suggest that the developers have conceded that it would be too dangerous/costly to provide access from Doomsday Lane or the Brighton Road.

Whilst trees have been given protection, little protection has been afforded to the human residents of Hornbrook Farm. It appears from the number of parking spaces around two of the buildings shown on the plan that the number of dwellings proposed can only be achieved by building flats. If that is the case the privacy of the existing houses is compromised. It might be better for all if a green shielding corridor could be provided to give respite to nature and existing residents.

Please take account of our need for green space and put it above the desire to make money.

Kind regards

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