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Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/24/1585
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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 04/01/2025 3:02 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	St Andrews Church Of England Primary School Nuthurst Street Nuthurst West Sussex RH13 6LH
Proposal:	Erection of a single storey extension to school building and replacement of pre-fabricated nursery building.
Case Officer:	Bethan Tinning

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Customer Details

Address: 9 The Quarries Mannings Heath Horsham Mannings Heath Horsham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Overdevelopment
Comments:	This is my comment on the School's response to questions asked: 1. The phrase "We do not expect any significant change to the roll in 2025". I note that this comment is at variance with the Chair of Govenor's remark noted in the minutes of a Governing Body Meeting that the School will be vigorous in its recruitment of new pupils from outside its own catchment area. This is presumably common knowledge in educational circles leading to Holy Trinity and Cowfold Schools registering objections to the Planning

Application. The underlying problem, of course, is a shortage of pupils at primary age and over supply of school places locally with the spectre of school closures looming (as it has in the past)
2. The number of pupils in the School is given but not the number in the nursery. Is this figure 20 which is the PAN for the school. or greater? If it is greater, then the size of the School will expand, and with it, the already dire parking problem outside the School and the safety issues this raises for all users of the road in Nuthurst.
Final comment: I have enormous sympathy for all the schools in the area, including St Andrews. Falling numbers of pupils locally causes stresses and strains in all the schools and needs to be promptly, activily and fairly managed by a central and objective body, ie. WSCC, rather than being left to individual schools to find their own way.

Kind regards

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