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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0954
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 30/09/2026 11:07 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land South of Athelstan Way Horsham West Sussex
Proposal:	Residential development for 21no. 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom dwellings with associated parking, hard and soft landscaping at Land South of Athelstan Way, Horsham.
Case Officer:	Nicola Pettifer

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Customer Details

Address:	49 Gorings Mead Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Other
Comments:	The proposed development sits on the side of a hill. Currently precipitation is intercepted by soil and vegetation. Under these circumstances it would be expected that peak flow rates from a storm event would be low and infiltration time for the water to move into the local stream system would be lengthy. Any development on the side of the hill must not change this situation. The stream network that run-off would enter leads directly through the back gardens of Gorings Mead on its way to

the Arun. Currently these gardens experience extensive flooding leading to significant damage and environmental impact. Depths of 1.7 metres from stream bed to water surface occur on average a few times a year and it is likely that the intensity of storms will increase as global warming energises our climate creating a greater likelihood of intense weather events.

Hard surfaces and materials that do not allow infiltration will increase the peak flow rate of any storm event and thus exacerbate the problems being faced downstream. Intense rainfalls overpower current sewage systems leading to potential flooding.

For this reason I consider that this development would have a detrimental affect on nearby housing and lives and should therefore be rejected by the council.

Kind regards

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