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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0933
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 08/09/2026 4:25 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Between Muntham Drive and Smugglers' Lane Chapel Road Barns Green West Sussex
Proposal:	Erection of 31 dwellings with access from Chapel Road including roads, parking and open space.
Case Officer:	Alice Johnson

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Customer Details

Address: Hele Farm Sandhills Road Barns Green

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	We urge the council to reject this application on the basis that it is not in compliance with HDC's current development plan nor the local Neighbourhood plan - formally adopted in September 2025 - which identified the sites within the parish where it was felt acceptable for development to take place. This field is NOT one of them.

Barns Green is a small semi-rural community surrounded by farmland, and in the last decade has had to absorb the construction of two housing estates totalling circa 130 houses, resulting in a significant increase in traffic along its narrow country roads and changing the rural character of the village. In the 2011 census, it was recorded that there were 369 dwellings within the built-up area of Barns Green; since then, it has been enlarged by over a third. Our village has already played its part in providing housing for the borough. Further development within the heart of the village will destroy the essence of Barns Green as a rural village.

The field currently under threat of development is a greenfield site and the view it offers from Muntham House Drive and Chapel Road represents an intrinsic part of our village identity. We hope that this ill-considered development will not be allowed to proceed.

Kind regards

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