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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 27/01/2026 2:38 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Spring Acres West End Lane Henfield West Sussex
Proposal:	Permission in Principle for the erection of up to 9no. self-build dwellings.
Case Officer:	Hannah Darley

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Customer Details

Address:	1 Lancaster Cottages West End Lane Henfield
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	This application is the latest in a series of attempts to develop this rural field and finally we see what they've always wanted - HOUSES ! As a neighbour directly affected by any proposal I have seen (since approx 2010) proposals for change of use from agriculture to equestrian and stables (which was eventually granted) Log cabins, Natural burial ground [REDACTED] and now houses. So they simultaneously have 2 separate applications on the same plot - What do they want? Burial ground ? Houses? Watch this space but I suspect what they really want is 4 large detached [REDACTED] houses! Incidentally the stables that they

needed so badly were never built but a concrete base laid so that the planning permission did not lapse. Seems somewhat cynical?

There are a number of reasons why this application should be rejected.

Firstly we are looking at a housing estate in a countryside location outside the village boundaries.

It is not in a built up area and has no connection with any existing housing settlements.

The adopted local neighbourhood plan does not include any development on this site.

This area is basically accessed via West End Lane which in many places is single track and regularly used by legitimate countryside activities such as walking, dog walking, horse riding and cycling.

There is no improvement to quality and character of the area.

The field is home to an array of wildlife such as foxes rabbits and deer. Any development would be detrimental to wildlife conservation.

There would be an undoubted loss of amenity to my household and others with increased traffic disturbance, light pollution, exhaust and noise pollution everyday and night of the week.

The lane is effectively a cul de sac with only one way in and out. The access via Church St off the High Street is already a traffic bottle neck with no obvious solution.

Local schools and the health centre are already oversubscribed.

The development would in no way enhance the rural character and amenity of the countryside.

There is no mains drainage, no public footpaths on the lane, no natural gas and the electricity supply is already overstretched.

For all these reasons above I urge the council to reject this application. Thank you.

Kind regards

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