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Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0530
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 27/05/2026 10:57 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:	10 Hernbrook Drive Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	It saddens me that given the swell of community objection to this development, it continues to go ahead without any concern for the local residents. The Horsham local plan suggests that working together to support the life of local communities and yet this (and many of the other themes in the plan) appears to carry no weight with this proposal. Though I feel somewhat defeated already, I wish to formally object to this application for up to 180 properties at Hornbrook Farm.

While I recognise the need for housing, the growth with recent developments in and around the surrounding area such as Bohunt/Mowbray, this feels excessive and this proposal is unsustainable in both scale and location. Not only does it fail to acknowledge , and conflicts with key policies within the Horsham District Planning Framework (HDPF).

- Traffic and Infrastructure (Policies 40 & 41):

Local roads including Brighton Road, Doomsday Lane, Hammerpond Road and Hernbrook Drive already experience congestion, restricted widths and flooding. Hernbrook Drive in particular is a narrow cut-through and unsuitable for additional traffic. The proposal would significantly increase vehicle movements without adequate mitigation.

- Community Infrastructure (Policy 43):

Local schools (Heron Way, Kingslea, Forest School, Millais) are already oversubscribed, and healthcare services are overstretched. The application fails to demonstrate how these essential services will be expanded to meet demand.

- Flood Risk (Policy 38):

Brighton Road and the Horn Brook are known to flood. Increasing impermeable surfaces will worsen runoff. The proposed drainage strategy-discharging into the Horn Brook-appears inadequate and risks exacerbating flooding downstream.

- Environment and Biodiversity (Policies 25, 30 & 31):

This greenfield site contributes to local character and wildlife habitat. Development would result in a permanent loss of biodiversity and green space, with insufficient ecological justification.

- Safety and Design (Policy 33):

The scheme raises pedestrian safety concerns, particularly for children needing to cross Brighton Road, with no robust mitigation proposed.

Conclusion:

The proposal represents overdevelopment in an area already under significant pressure and fails to provide the necessary infrastructure, environmental protection, or safe access.

It clearly goes against the community feeling and, furthermore, conflicts with HDPF policies and should be refused.

Kind regards

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