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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
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 25/05/2026 9:52 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:	12 Coolhurst Lane Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Other - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	Loss of trees: Any loss of mature native trees is absolutely wrong, for reducing diversity, impacting owls and roosting bats. Also mature tree canopies provide shade and reduce surrounding temperatures in summer and heatwave conditions, which replacement younger trees cannot do. Other, government policies: Building on brownfield land should be done first, before changing green spaces forever and changing

land use. The Novartis land is central Horsham, near amenities such as train station, hospital, college and currently a concrete waste land. Any development would be a benefit to the local community. Building on green fields should be a last resort, not a cost effective alternative.

Highways, Safety, Traffic and Parking: The new development would make use of existing local schools. However it is too far for the majority of primary school age children to walk to Heron Way and if they did walk, the paths are narrow with poor visibility, especially in winter months causing safety risks, hammer pond road junction with at Leonard's for example. If secondary school age children decided to cycle to Forest and Millais schools, St. Leonard's road has parked cars all along the southern end to Dickens wau, this is a safety risk as there's no designated cycle lane. All government statistics say children should be encouraged to walk or cycle to school however this proposed development is not supporting children to be healthy or help working families as the resulting routes to schools are poorly designed so the majority of parents will need to drive their children to school. This will cause parking issues at the already congested Bramling road and Heron Way, Compton's Lane (south) and Orchard Road. In addition there is no designated road crossing for primary or secondary school children to use in this part of Horsham so adding this large amount of additional traffic from the proposed development and more child age footfall will increase the chances of an accident at areas that have already been deemed as hazardous.

Kind regards

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