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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0266
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 19/03/2026 7:12 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Thakeham Mushrooms Storrington Road Thakeham Pulborough West Sussex RH20 3DY
Proposal:	Demolition of existing buildings and the redevelopment of the site to provide 150 dwellings, including affordable housing, land for the community land trust, works to public right of way and associated landscaping, open space and infrastructure.
Case Officer:	Sam Whitehouse

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Customer Details

Address:	White Cottage Tudor Village Storrington
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Other - Overdevelopment
Comments:	I OBJECT to this application to build 150 dwellings on the site of Thakeham Mushrooms. 1. Highways Access. Thakeham village is served by one road in and out, the B2139. This road is already heavily used by both light and heavy traffic,

particularly in the morning and evening rush hours when drivers are travelling in either direction to avoid queuing at the A24 Washington roundabout. The approach from the north is on a narrow hill, Dukes Hill, and continues in a cutting after the turning to The Street. The approach from the south, Jackets Hill, likewise is narrow through a cutting on a blind bend. In addition, there are many potholes on both routes. Any demolition and construction traffic will have to access the site through these narrow and dangerous routes creating more wear and damage. Once 150 dwellings are constructed there will be further increases in traffic movements.

2. Other.

It is believed that asbestos was used in many of the buildings and demolition of these buildings could pose considerable risk to neighbouring properties and the environment in general.

3. Overdevelopment.

Thakeham village has already taken considerable housing development in recent years. There is further to come on land north of High Bar Lane. Another 150 dwellings will only add to the already over stretched facilities in Thakeham village and Storrington. While I acknowledge that the existing site of Thakeham Mushrooms is redundant and the buildings could be considered an eyesore, 150 dwellings is too many.

Finally, should this, or any other amended or otherwise application be approved can it be enforced that Merrywood lane has a width restriction and marked 'Unsuitable for heavy goods vehicles'. In recent years developments at Abingworth Meadows, Thakeham have seen large tipper lorries using Merrywood Lane as a short cut to access the A24 via Rock Road.

Kind regards

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