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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 11/09/2026 4:02 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: 5 Muntham Drive Barns Green West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Other - Overdevelopment
Comments:	The meeting of the Communities and Place Policy and Scrutiny committee held on 9th September 2026 was addressed by representatives from Southern Water. The discussion was based on DC/26/0366 to build 1000 houses in West Southwater but is also relevant to the proposed Shanly Homes site. There has been confusing information provided regarding treatment of wastewater from the Southwater site with some paperwork stating that it will be managed at Horsham and other paperwork stating that it will

be treated at Barns Green.

The Southern Water representative confirmed that neither Horsham nor Barns Green Treatment works has capacity for an additional 1000 homes.

The Southern Water Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Drainage Strategy 27/02/2026, para.11.1.3: Annex H, states that plans to increase capacity at Barns Green would take at least 24 months. There are no such plans approved.

In July, a high court ruling was served to four former Southern Water executives for 'conspiracy to defraud'. The Southern Water track record with repeated misinformation provides no reassurance that their promises can be met.

We are aware that there are already frequent foul sewage leakages into the local environment in Barns Green so the current system is clearly inadequate for the current housing stock.

No further planning applications that include treatment of waste water at Barns Green should be approved at least until waste water management capacity is significantly increased.

Kind regards

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