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Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/0583
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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 09/06/2025 11:07 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Parcel at 520128 116244 Stonepit Lane Henfield West Sussex
Proposal:	Variation of Condition 2 of previously approved application DC/24/0367 (Use of land for the stationing of 3 static caravans for residential purposes along with utility buildings, the formation of hardstanding and associated landscaping) to amend site layout, including the siting of day rooms and static caravans.
Case Officer:	Tamara Dale

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Customer Details

Address:	The Henfield Hall Coopers Way Henfield West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Parish Council
Stance:	Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	This Committee holds with our previous comments which are:- Objection - all agreed. This Committee is extremely surprised that a new site layout is being sought only a few months after Approval has been given. In terms of the Right First Time principle should this layout not have

been included in the original application (DC/24/0367)?
This committee deems that this planning application is contrary to HDPF numbers: -
- 23 Strategic Policy: Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation
The application to alter Condition 2 will have an unacceptable impact on the character and appearance of the landscape and the amenity of neighbouring properties. By lining the static caravans in a row adjacent to the road and the creation of a single day room block would be out of keeping with the local character.
- 25 Strategic Policy: The Natural Environment and Landscape Character
The application to alter Condition 2 is contrary to HDPF 25 which seeks to - protect, conserve and enhance the landscaped character,
The unsympathetic linear approach to siting caravans in a row as proposed along with a substantial service block on the west of the site creates a urbanising effect. As opposed to the informal cottage style groupings of caravans interspersed with hedging/planting and three individual day room buildings in the original approved Block Plan.
In the Appeal decision APP/Z3825/W/24/3345055 The Inspector drew attention to this aspect "of the proposed development on this site which is on the edge of Henfield and not dissimilar in character to the sporadic residential development in the area lead me to the conclusion that the proposal would not have an adverse effect on the character and appearance of the area."
"further reinforced by the fact that the Council's Appeal statement indicates that 'this part of Stonepit Lane comprises a rural appearance which is characterised by trees, hedging and planting which predominantly lines the lane.' The proposal would reinforce such characteristics."
- 33.3 The application to alter Condition 2 has an adverse impact on the scale and massing
and appearance of the original approved layout and if approved would be out of keeping with the rural surroundings.

Kind regards

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