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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 10/09/2026 12:33 AM.

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. (AMENDMENTS INCLUDING AMENDED PLANS, SITE LOCATION PLAN AND RED LINE BOUNDARY)
Case Officer:	Sam Whitehouse

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Customer Details

Address: 24 Abingworth Crescent Thakeham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping

Comments:

We strongly objected to the original planning application DC/26/0266 and we strongly object to the amended plans dated August 2026.

In our opinion, these amendments are just 'smoke and mirrors'. There is a reduction in the proposed number of dwellings but it seems extremely clear to us that this is just a ruse to get planning permission for phase 1 of what will be a multi-phase development. Bellway are retaining some land so the intention is obvious.

We do not believe that Bellway's proposal to hand over vast areas of land to Thakeham Parish Council will ever happen. We think it is complete nonsense and perhaps just a way to try to get Thakeham Parish Council on their side. If it is their intention to transfer for £1 land for which they paid millions of pounds then why have they not handed over the land already?! In any case, what's to stop this land being built on in the future? Furthermore, Thakeham Parish Council are very aware from the extraordinary meeting held recently in June that the majority of residents are against the amended plans.

Bellway's initial planning application for the site was refused by Horsham District Council and Bellway subsequently lost the Appeal in June 2025 when the Inspector upheld Horsham District Council's decision. The reasons for the refusal are still relevant to the latest planning application and amended plans, nothing has substantially changed and this cycle should be stopped with a final rejection once and for all that the land is unsuitable for development.

Kind regards

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