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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/0450
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 25/02/2026 9:11 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Off Northlands Lane Storrington 1 Field Storrington RH20 3EZ
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Proposal:	Change of use from agricultural to dog walking.
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Case Officer:	Halima Chowdhury
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Customer Details

Address:	Old Mill Cottage Northlands Lane Storrington Pulborough West Sussex
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
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Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
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Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Other - Privacy Light and Noise
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Comments:	I wish to object to this application for the following reasons: The boundary fencing around the fields is in a poor and dilapidated condition and appears not fit for purpose. It does not reliably prevent pedestrians or dogs from entering or leaving the site, which raises safety concerns and undermines the premise of a controlled, secure dog-walking facility.
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The gate to the eastern field is frequently left unsecured, with the cable and padlock draped over the gate post rather than being used to lock the entrance. This effectively permits unrestricted access by anyone, which increases the risk of incidents involving dogs escaping or uncontrolled access to the field.

Dog waste bags are regularly seen discarded on the ground in the vicinity of the entrance gate. This indicates ongoing issues with waste management, creates an unpleasant environment for local residents and footpath users, and risks further littering if the use is intensified and formalised.

The stated hours of operation (8:00am to 6:00pm) do not appear to be consistently observed. In practice, the fields are routinely used outside these hours, including early morning use between 6:00am and 8:00am. This causes additional disturbance at sensitive times and raises concerns about how any conditions on operating hours would be monitored and enforced.

The proposal to use the verge outside the field for parking appears ill-advised and would create a hazard. The adjacent public footpath is heavily used by walkers, dogs, and children. Encouraging vehicle stopping and the unloading of dogs at this point (potentially before dogs are secured within a locked field) would be particularly concerning, especially where dogs may be reactive or "potentially dangerous," increasing risks to passers-by.

The application shows a greyed-out strip intended to reduce noise in the western field. It is unclear how this measure would be enforced in practice, and the proposed margin appears too narrow to have any meaningful impact on barking or general noise levels. Without a clear, enforceable management plan, this feature is unlikely to mitigate disturbance to neighbouring properties.

Kind regards

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