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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/2057
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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 30/06/2026 7:34 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land North of Little Slaughterford Chapel Road Barns Green West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed development of 68 dwellings with vehicular and pedestrian accesses, public open space, hard and soft landscaping and associated works including supporting foul and surface water drainage works, and works to existing culverted watercourse on site.
Case Officer:	Alice Johnson

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Customer Details

Address:	17 Smugglers Way Barns Green
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I wish to register a strong objection to the latest proposal. The alteration to add four additional "community parking" spaces within the development site does not adequately compensate for the

significant loss of parking outside the village shop and pub. The introduction of pinch points and an additional entrance into the site will further restrict what is already extremely limited parking in this part of the village.

It is also important to note that planning permission has already been granted for a new driveway entrance to the shop once it is rebuilt. This will remove yet more roadside parking. When that permission was granted, there were no proposals for this development, nor for the introduction of pinch points. The cumulative impact of these changes has not been properly assessed.

Consultation has now commenced on an additional neighbouring site, including a further proposed entrance directly opposite the pub car park. If both developments are approved, this stretch of road will become hazardous for vehicles, pedestrians, and the rural traffic that uses it daily-farm machinery, caravans visiting Sumners Ponds, horse riders, cyclists, and runners. The road layout simply cannot absorb this level of interference without compromising safety.

The proposed "community parking" spaces are tucked away within the estate and are highly likely to be used by residents rather than visitors to the shop or pub. This is especially the case if, as is typical with modern estates, covenants restrict commercial vehicles and caravans. Without enforceable controls, these spaces will not serve the wider community as claimed.

This part of Barns Green remains relatively untouched, surrounded by historic houses, the pub, and the village shop. It is a key part of the village's character and identity. Residents did not vote for this site to be included in the Neighbourhood Plan precisely because they wished to preserve this area. With extensive housebuilding already taking place across the wider region, there must be room for smaller villages like Barns Green to remain small. If every available space is developed, we risk losing the very qualities that define our countryside and rural communities.

For these reasons, I urge the planning authority to reject this application.

Kind regards

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