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To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/23/0406
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 30/01/2024 8:15 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The West of Ashington C of E School Park Lane Ashington West Sussex
Proposal:	Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 180 dwellings, all-weather sport pitch, sports pavilion and allotments; with associated access, landscaping, open space and infrastructure.
Case Officer:	Nicola Pettifer

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Customer Details

Address:	5 Church Close Ashington
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	I am shocked that residents are being asked to voice their objections again, nearly a year on; is it a case of keeping asking until the developers get the answers they want. Their performance at the recent Parish Council meeting was woeful. They were unable to provide any answers to concerns raised about the proposal to build 180 homes rather than the original 150 that were originally suggested. It is patently clear that they are just trying to cram a higher number of buildings into a smaller space, totally ignoring the fact that the quality of the buildings and potential space for residents would be abysmal; a clear desire to maximise profit over quality. They couldn't provide any reassurance to concerns raised about the safety of the

Church Road junction; it was patently clear that a careless desktop exercise had been done, which isn't good enough. Main points of contention:

Too many houses - more than originally proposed, but within a smaller area, meaning Bellway will be unable to include the amenities previously promised.

Village infrastructure insufficient to support current amount of households let alone nearly 300 more (including the Chanctonbury Nurseries development)

Village cannot cope with potential increase of 600+ vehicles using London Road (both ends) and particularly Church Lane which is barely wider than a single track road and will become impassable and very dangerous with a significant increase in traffic. There is no potential to widen this road and planning to have access and exit to the development down this narrow road is completely foolhardy. What happened to the original plan that proposed a dual access to the site? Access is a massive concern. Accidents just waiting to happen.

What happened to the staggered crossroads at the church as shown in the WS Highways dept plan? Bellways have contravened the Neighbourhood plan and ignored recommendations of the Transport Consultant.

Developers were completely unable to answer questions about the future of the Forest School; they clearly hadn't done their homework

Ludicrous water neutrality statement; data taken from the wrong supplier. The premise of water neutrality for proposed development is flawed.

Large site completely out of keeping in a small rural village which lacks sufficient infrastructure to support a massive influx of residents, most of whom will have to use cars to access work or school as public transport is insufficient.

Kind regards