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To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0933

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 24/08/2026 11:37 AM from [REDACTED].

Application Summary

Address:	Land Between Muntham Drive and Smugglers' Lane Chapel Road Barns Green West Sussex
Proposal:	Erection of 31 dwellings with access from Chapel Road including roads, parking and open space.
Case Officer:	Alice Johnson

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Customer Details

Name:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]
Address:	12 Sycamore Rise Horsham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Overdevelopment
Comments:	I formally object to the proposed erection of 31 dwellings on the land Between Muntham Drive and Smugglers' Lane, Chapel Road Barns Green, West Sussex. While I recognise the need for additional housing, I have concerns that this proposal would have a significant and unacceptable impact on the local area. I am particularly concerned that there is already a housing development in the area which has not yet been completed. It seems premature to approve a further substantial development before the existing development has been finished and its full impact on local

roads, infrastructure, services and the surrounding community can be properly assessed. The cumulative impact of multiple developments should be carefully considered, rather than considering this application in isolation. Residents are already experiencing the disruption associated with ongoing construction, including increased construction traffic, noise and pressure on local roads. Approving another development before the existing one is complete could prolong these impacts considerably.

My principal concerns are:

Traffic and highway safety: The development is likely to increase traffic on local roads, potentially worsening congestion and creating additional risks for pedestrians, cyclists and existing residents.

Pressure on local infrastructure: Additional residents would place further demand on schools, healthcare services, drainage, utilities and other local facilities.

Loss of countryside and character: The proposal would result in the loss of open land and could permanently alter the character and appearance of the surrounding area.

Impact on wildlife and biodiversity: The development may disturb or destroy existing habitats.

Drainage and flooding: Additional hard surfaces could increase surface-water runoff and place further pressure on drainage infrastructure.

Impact on neighbouring properties: The scale and positioning of the proposed buildings could affect the privacy, outlook, light and general amenity of nearby residents.

Scale and cumulative impact: The effect of this proposal should be considered alongside the existing development, particularly given that the existing scheme has not yet been completed.

I respectfully ask the Planning Authority to give full consideration to these concerns and, in particular, to assess the cumulative impact of the existing and proposed developments on the local community and infrastructure.

For these reasons, I object to the proposed development and ask that the planning application be refused, unless substantial changes are made to address the concerns outlined above.

Where did you
hear about this
application?

Online

Kind regards

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