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To: Planning
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 19/03/2026 12:46 PM.

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.
Case Officer:	Sam Whitehouse

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Customer Details

Address:	19 Guyhurst Spinney Thakeham Pulborough
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Other - Overdevelopment
Comments:	As a long standing resident of this village I object to this planning application. This is only a portion of the site owned by Bellway so we now they will apply to expand it in the future. This small rural village is totally reliant on the use of cars with the only vehicular access via sunken country roads that are in poor condition and hazardous because of the width. There has been a botched attempt to slow down through traffic with incorrectly placed pinch points that only slow traffic leaving the village. Vehicles still speed through in excess of the 30mph limit and there are numerous near misses as people just drive round them without giving way. Thakeham has difficult access for HGV's from both the North and South and the increase in the number of houses will not only increase car journeys but also delivery journeys and HGV journeys to the village adding to the further deterioration of local roads. There are no public transport options and local taxi service is very limited (especially during

school runs) and expensive.

There doesn't seem to be adequate parking facilities on site in view of this. People are not going to move here without a car!

Local facilities are at capacity already and it is very difficult to get a doctors appointment. I have heard that schools and dentists are also full - the fact that Thakeham Primary School is now located in Rock Road means that all children will be taken to and from school by car.

I am also concerned about the effect on local drainage and water consumption - which I believe was raised for the last application.

Thakeham is a small rural village that is having the RURAL squeezed out of it.

Since the initial development we have noticed a rise in crime and antisocial behaviour.

There has also been a huge loss of wildlife habitat - deer still try to cut through the site and get tangled in the fencing.

Having previously worked on the Neighbourhood Plan I find it soul destroying that an application that is not compliant with it has to be fought off.

There is more than one site up for development in this village and the cumulative effect is too much.

Bellway have not completed their obligations from the Abingworth development - we are still awaiting the handover of the allotments, so another growing year will be lost - and whatever happened to the small business units which should have been built behind the old pre-school??

Why should they be allowed further development if they don't stand good on their previous agreements?

Kind regards

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