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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/0330
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 23/05/2025 2:46 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Deercopse Guildford Road Clemsfold Horsham West Sussex RH12 3PW
Proposal:	Retention of kennels housing applicant dogs and noise mitigation and adapted measures to buildings (Retrospective)
Case Officer:	Hannah Darley

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Customer Details

Address:	Timbers Farm, Guildford Road Horsham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Loss of General Amenity - Other - Privacy Light and Noise
Comments:	Living in proximity to this property we have no objection as such to the physical erection of the buildings but do have an objection in respect of the amount of noise the number of dogs at the property, which we note to remain significant under this application, make. Nothing in this application would appear to provide a significant mitigation to this point.

The proposal indicates that the noise is/will be constrained to feeding times, but we note the noise surveys were only carried out sporadically and at 30 minute intervals. It was not clear whether all the dogs at the property were outside at these times (there are references to only 10 being outside). We can confirm the noise is not constrained to only two periods in the day, as are often woken up early in the mornings as a result of the noise, prior to the advertised feeding time periods, and can hear the dogs at various stages throughout the day and the evenings both outside and inside our property.
Comparison to noise from the road and other businesses is flawed. The sawmill only makes noise during fixed operating hours, and not at the mornings, evenings and weekends. The road, aside from the odd motorbike, is more of a constant background noise, but that said was here when we all purchased our properties anyway and is a public necessity.
The proposed mitigations to the noise do not seem like they will make an appreciable difference, with post fitment results still indicating noise close to limits stated. We refer to the point above about the number of dogs being part of any such tests.
A further concern is the welfare of 30 animals at a facility with no staff, whilst we are supporters of animal welfare, it certainly does not seem feasible that this amount of animals could be managed without bespoke facilities and concurrent staffing levels.

Kind regards

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