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Sent: 02 September 2026 10:13:21 UTC+01:00
To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
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 02/09/2026 10:13 AM.

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

Address: Blacksmiths Cottage Chapel Road Barns Green Horsham West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Other
Comments:	We own a grade listed property on Chapel Road and worry about the impact this development will have on our property. There are several old listed properties close by. These properties are protected by status and should remain so as they form part of England's history. Being such a home owner is certainly not a financial investment. We chose to buy such a property in order to protect them. Their upkeep is expensive and constant yet extremely important. The rules for homeowners are strict and overall decisions are made by conservation officers. Therefore, I

fail to understand why a possible agreement might be made for new builds so very close by. These old houses are viewed and appreciated by the public and are even mentioned in local museums. Why would you then take their personalities away by surrounding them by yet more houses instead of showing them off in their natural habitat surrounded by nature/fields? Surely, even the vibrations and ground disturbances will put the properties at risk. And would the development company be liable for potential damage caused by this huge building work?

To me, this does not make sense at all.

Surely, there must be other Horsham locations better suited for new builds so we can preserve the history of England.

If these old properties end up surrounded by houses in all directions, they will lose their appeal, will be almost impossible to sell on which could then lead them to becoming derelict at some point in the future as who would want to invest in their upkeep (if they even survive this level of close by building works).

Please take this into consideration.

Kind regards

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