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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/25/2057
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 06/02/2026 1:54 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land North of Little Slaughterford Chapel Road Barns Green West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed development of 68 dwellings with vehicular and pedestrian accesses, public open space, hard and soft landscaping and associated works including supporting foul and surface water drainage works, and works to existing culverted watercourse on site.
Case Officer:	Alice Johnson

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Customer Details

Address: 15 Sycamore Rise Barns Green Horsham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Other - Overdevelopment - Trees and Landscaping

Comments:

We object to this application on behalf of elderly and disabled residents who rely heavily on safe, quiet roads, mobility scooters, and close access to essential village services. Increased traffic, altered road layouts, reduced visibility, and additional parking pressures would significantly undermine pedestrian and scooter safety, making access to the village shop, post office, and pub more difficult and hazardous. With very limited public transport, these facilities are essential for maintaining independence and wellbeing.

The proposed development would place unacceptable strain on infrastructure that is already inadequate, including roads, drainage, sewage capacity, and electricity supply. Existing flooding and sewage overflows from the over-capacity Barns Green treatment works already pose serious risks, and further development would exacerbate these problems, with wider environmental consequences.

The loss of this greenfield site would permanently damage the rural character of the village. The removal of ancient hedgerows, harm to nearby woodland, and loss of open pastoral land would erode wildlife habitats and the quiet rural setting that many residents depend on for quality of life. The field currently provides a safe, open environment and is used for community and charity events which are particularly valued by older residents.

The scale, density, and design of the proposed housing are inappropriate for this sensitive countryside location. The height and layout of the dwellings would introduce an urban form that conflicts with the village's historic character, listed buildings, and pastoral setting identified as important in the Neighbourhood Plan. This development is speculative, lies outside the Built-Up Area Boundary, and conflicts with Countryside Policy, which limits development to that which is essential.

For these reasons, the proposal would significantly harm accessibility, safety, rural amenity, and the wellbeing of elderly and disabled residents, and should therefore be refused.

Kind regards

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