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Sent: 11 March 2026 14:43:53 UTC+00:00
To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0366
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 11/03/2026 2:43 PM.

Application Summary

Address: Land North West of Southwater

Proposal: Outline planning application, with all matters reserved (except for primary access to the highway) for a phased development comprising: the demolition of existing buildings and the construction of residential dwellings (including affordable housing) (Use Classes C2 and C3); a mixed-use neighbourhood centre (Use Classes E and F); education facilities (Use Class F1(a)); business and employment floorspace (Use Classes B2, B8 and E(g)); redevelopment of existing agricultural buildings including construction of a building for community use (Use Classes E and F2); improvements to public rights of way; sports pitches; gypsy and traveller pitches/plots; public open space; landscaping, and associated infrastructure.

Case Officer: Matthew Porter

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Customer Details

Address: Blakes Farm Cottage Southwater Street Southwater

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

- Design
- Highway Access and Parking

- Overdevelopment
- Privacy Light and Noise
- Trees and Landscaping

Comments:

Southwater is now overdeveloped - while every resident would claim this the evidence is in the recent traffic survey where it was established that there is a car every 15 seconds on average along Worthing Road. Consider the amount of bus stops along this stretch and the number of school children alone crossing the roads to catch buses when there is far less gaps in traffic at peak times. There is only one controlled traffic light crossing along this stretch too (note the police often use the village as a diversion if an accident occurs on the A24). In addition, more traffic is using other exit roads out of the village like Shipley Rd and Southwater St. Living in the latter, we already see speeding concerns and regular collisions as a result - this road was not built for heavy traffic and I have to reverse my car into my drive - try doing this at night at peak times safely and without abuse being directed at you from inconsiderate drivers!! If councils and councilors accept their responsibility to decline this and uphold the wishes of Southwater residents Neighborhood Plan from 2021. If it does look like progressing then the council should seriously insist on a new entry and exit road further down the A24 to avoid even more traffic and safety concerns to current residents in the village and affectively separate the new development from the over burdened Southwater and Worthing Road - and this is a plea for someone to carry this forward as a serious request please if needed!

Kind regards

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