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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0530
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 01/07/2026 5:38 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land at Hornbrook Farm Brighton Road West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application for up to 180 dwellings, open space and associated works and infrastructure with all matters reserved apart from access.
Case Officer:	Nicola Pettifer

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Customer Details

Address:	4 Ghyll Crescent Horsham
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Design - Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Other - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise - Trees and Landscaping
Comments:	Consultation Response (Place Services - 1 July 2026) I note the publication of the Place Services consultation response

dated 1 July 2026, which states:

"No additional ecological information appears to have been submitted for this application. Therefore, our response dated 22nd May 2026 for 'No ecological objection subject to attached conditions' remains valid."

This statement raises an important procedural question.

During the consultation period, objectors have submitted additional ecological evidence, including a photograph of a lamprey recorded upstream within the Horn Brook catchment, together with observations of other species associated with the Horn Brook corridor and its riparian habitat.

The consultation response appears to consider only whether the applicant has submitted further ecological information. It does not state whether the additional ecological evidence submitted by members of the public has been reviewed or referred back to Place Services before reaffirming its previous advice.

Accordingly, it is unclear whether the Council's retained ecological adviser has considered the full body of ecological information now before the Local Planning Authority.

For the avoidance of doubt, this representation does not assert that the original ecological conclusions are necessarily incorrect. Rather, it seeks clarification as to whether the Council's ecological advice remains fully informed in light of the additional ecological evidence submitted during the consultation process.

If the third-party ecological evidence has not been referred to Place Services, it would be appropriate for the Council to do so before determining the application, thereby ensuring that the ecological advice relied upon reflects all material information currently available.

Given the environmental sensitivity of the Horn Brook corridor, this is a matter that should be clarified as part of a robust and transparent decision-making process.

Kind regards

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