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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 17/06/2026 7:11 AM.

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 Smugglers Way Horsham
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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
Comments:	Objection 1) The loss of suitable parking outside the shop and the confusing

road layout in an area.

There appears little attention given to the fact, HDC has a live approval on Barnes Green store for a new access drive way that will be closer to the junction where the new road is proposed to enter the site. It means the proposed parking bays will make a real issue for anyone using the drive way.

Plus the new Barnes Green Shop is now moving South towards The Hordens.

When this approval is completed, the shop will also be almost opposite the proposed planning application entrance.

Given HDC's has rejected many applications in Barnes Green area on the grounds of the highways and visibility.

It is rather strange that there seems to be little concern about the dangerous junction that will be created plus the dangerous visibility that and traffic parking, traffic passing by but not parking and those leaving the parking spaces.

Objection 2) The significant new traffic that will be generated and congestion with country lanes in and around the village.

Objection 3) The already existing flooding and sewage problems which Southern Water. In the 44 years I have lived here SW have failed to address the issues.

Even this year they have had to come out and clean our garden from raw sewage. How they are allowed to LIE and ILIE about the capability of Barnes Green sewage works when they know full well they are regularly allowing raw to be released because the system is over capacitated.

We expect our local authority and councillors to protect the local residence and council tax payers to be protected from these big companies that seem to act with impunity and do nothing but allow flooding to continue.

HDC are fully aware of the failings of southern waters raw sewage flooding and the ground flooding but allows them to to continue to make the situation worse by not challenging their totally inaccurate consultation replies to planning applications. On this particular application DC/25/2057. Southern water submitted a report where they actually used the wrong area the wrong river and the whole thing was fictitious. How do we have any faith in local government if you allow this application's approval

4) Loss of wildlife habitat and the destruction of hedgerow as we have already seen this month at Sumner Pond where Sigma Holmes removed here where they were nesting birds.

Unfortunately it appears the HDC officer for compliance didn't come out to inspect the hedge but took the developers word a developer who has had stop notices. Why would we have any belief that this will be any difference with Miller Holmes?

The Itchingfield Parish Council asked for a Tree preservation order be placed on all the trees surrounding the field. As of yet, we have had no confirmation that this has been done, although it was requested in April 2025.

5) The field is a village amenity, used for events and charity days. It has been the village green for hundreds of years.

6) The plans shows inappropriate houses in an urbanisation density a kin to a town environment. These proposed houses are totally detrimental to this village and the environment..

The height of these houses is overbearing especially with its proximity to the several listed buildings and Pubic House which surround the site.

HDC own Housing Officers have highlighted their concerns.

The fact that Sigma Homes is still unable to sell all the homes at Sumners Pond, indicates that Barns Green is not appealing with virtually no transport link, the need for young families to have two cars, there by adding to the problem of cars on narrow country lanes and all the issues that brings.

The lack of shops and entertainment for young families.

7) This application conflicts with the Countryside Policy, the development site lies outside the built-up Area Boundary (BUAB) And this is defined as countryside where development should only be permitted if essential.

I believe this development would be detrimental to the village, I personally I'm not against Houses being built. I was supportive of the Ashmiles development and Sumner Pond.

I object to the choice of this field for the reasons given above and the danger of more substantial flooding, storm water and raw sewage. I trust HDC and the councillors to refuse this application.

Urgent addition to objection.....

I have just read this morning Southern Waters latest proposal, they are now shutting down the treatment plant /facility at Itchingfield and transferring it to the already overloaded Barns Green Waste water Treatment Works.

BG WTW is already an environmental and public infrastructure disaster, it is unable to cope without this add sewage. Capacity and infrastructure are not fit for purpose. More development is absolutely not tenable on this fact alone among many others. This new information should be fully assessed before any planning decision is made.

I seriously urge Horsham District Council to refuse this application until these concerns have been properly investigated and capacity increase to serve actual and projected development needs.

It is totally wrong to flood local residents with water and sewage through no fault of their own.

Kind regards

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