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Sent: 27 October 2026 20:42
To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/1481

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 27/10/2026 8:42 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Oakhurst Equestrian Centre West Chiltington Lane Coneyhurst West Sussex RH14 9DN
Proposal:	Proposed settled gypsy accommodation site comprising 10no pitches and associated utility buildings.
Case Officer:	Sophie Moore

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Customer Details

Address:	Yew Tree Cottage West Chiltington Lane Coneyhurst Billingshurst

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:	Objection to DC/26/1481 which is a follow on from all of the other objections I've already stated previously. Objection to this planning application DC/26/1481

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To whom it may concern.

So further to our previous objections, we strongly continue to object to this latest planning application. This will also quite clearly have exactly the same impact as the previous & consistent applications that have been submitted and turned down.

Please see our objections as follows..

Objection to this planning application

Further to our previous planning objections on DC/25/0486 (DC/22/1999 Ref:PP-11635265) to the same application refused on this site on 31st July 2023 we would like the following objections and concerns taken into account.

As well as our objection the last Planning application..
DC/24/0298 12 pitch gypsy accommodation site:

1. We already consider the site was previously overdeveloped. The idea of demolishing the existing buildings on the site to again make way for the third proposal of a 10 no gypsy settlements or any self build/custom build dwellings. in its place is not in keeping with the existing buildings, countryside, habitat and environment.

2. We are one of several listed buildings in the immediate vicinity for circa 600 years. This development would totally conflict with the character of the area, visually damaging the landscape and we fear that the site would ruin the peace and quiet of the existing area as we know it. The proposed development is incompatible with the design of existing nearby historical listed buildings and their beautiful surroundings.

3. The impact on the general abundant wildlife and its current habitat would be devastating. We have a wonderful and active colony of birds and bats in the area. In addition to the abundant frogs, toads and newts that cross the land and reside in the river Adur which directly borders this proposed development as well as the river Adur bordering two of the already established listed buildings in the immediate vicinity.

4. Environmental damage due to the many increased vehicles and activities would be devastating to the area. The entrance to this site and the already busy enough road system here is inadequate for any increase of traffic which would lead to further unsafe conditions. This is especially due to the narrows lanes here and the hidden location of the entrance to this site, there are already many documented accidents and unsafe traffic situations that have arisen due to this sites very narrow entrance on West Chiltington lane. This at times has already caused road blockages with parked vehicles on the narrow lane whilst they are awaiting entry to this site.

5. The current land and buildings are in already in view, but are not in use during evenings and weekends generally. These buildings are not in keeping with the countryside that we currently reside in. Destroying these buildings in favour of this proposed application would ruin the view from our footpaths, our gardens, the lane itself and our already established homes and community.

6. The generation of around the clock noise as well as light pollution from such a site would cause undue disturbance, smells and especially night light pollution to the existing and already established peaceful surroundings. The countryside and homes in the immediate vicinity. This is a peaceful and quiet country lane in a beautiful rural area.

7. The proposed development created from a base of this magnitude would be irresponsible and absolutely disastrous, with a potential risk of pollution to the nearby river Adur and land which immediately borders this site. This area already floods as previously well documented. There are no public sewers or any appropriate drainage facilities in the area to address this. In addition to this, the very poorly unmaintained gullies and ditches already in West Chiltington Lane itself are struggling terribly, especially with the heavy storm rains we've recently seen as well as in the winter months especially historically.

8. We would also like to point out that the road bridge over the river within a few yards of the entrance of this proposed site is still also in a very bad state of repair caused by numerous road traffic accidents. The previous walls have been knocked down and it is severely cracked and unstable which is now actually sitting in the river.
The new unsightly barriers put in its place have already been damaged by vehicles and remain unrepaired yet again. Any extra traffic or loaded trucks, vans, cars or caravans or heavy traffic in general would only cause no end of added problems.
A lot of horse riders use this lane as well as the horses and riders already located on this site, who's future is also being threatened. Any extra traffic would have a further negative impact in any case.

9. We would also like to add this has gone on for far too long and it's like a cloud hanging over the local community. Planning for this site has been repeatedly applied for turned down for far to many reasons. This is wholly unfair and as previously stated common sense needs to prevail here. There are already ample and obviously much better sites to fulfill this need if it needed in this actual immediately local area at all.

10 We already have 3 local sites within a few miles of here of this nature, some of which are already overfilled and have exceeded their capacity. The site at fishers farm just up the lane and the surrounding area is constantly pouring septic waste into the surrounding ditches, you can see and smell this all year around. The E A has been made aware and many complaints made but it has failed to stop or control this. As previously stated this site could potentially contaminate the river Adur its surrounding inhabitants both wildlife and human which would be disastrous.

Yours sincerely

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Kind regards

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