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# Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 29/09/2025 1:34 PM.

## Application Summary

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| Address: | Land Parcel At 511450 123227 Billingshurst Road Coolham West Sussex RH13 8QN |
| Proposal: | Change of use of land from agriculture to a B2 Use (general industry) comprising the importation and processing of timber to produce wood chippings for re-sale. |
| Case Officer: | Hannah Darley |

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## Customer Details

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| Address: | Haymans Ghyll, Billingshurst Road Coolham Horsham |

## Comments Details

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| Commenter Type: | Neighbour |
| Stance: | Customer objects to the Planning Application |
| Reasons for comment: | - Loss of General Amenity<br>- Other<br>- Overdevelopment<br>- Privacy Light and Noise |
| Comments: | I live 450 metres south of site in question and I wish to oppose the application on the following grounds:-<br><br>1. The planning application, I assume, is retrospective, it is also talking about changing the use of the land but doesn't set out how |

the land will be used going forward in any detail, so this not something I can support.

2. Noise nuisance. This chipping machine generates a low pitched rumbling noise that can be heard even when the doors and windows of my home are closed. It goes on all day and is intrusive. When chipping takes place it's often over a few days and on one occasion went on until the evening. There has been no attempt by the operator to physically mitigate this noise in any way.

NB I would have complained about the noise but thought that activity was under permitted use and was infrequent so I thought the compliant would not be acted upon.

3. The land owner has already had planning permission granted for the adjacent field to become a dog walking facility further adding to the noise pollution. At this rate I will become a prisoner in my own home, no longer able to enjoy sitting and relaxing in my garden.

4. No schedule for future activity is stated. This means work could go on all week which would be intolerable.

5. This is a quiet rural setting in character. Around 2005 retrospective planning permission was rejected for a motor cross race track on the same site. The planning department received 41 letters of opposition and so the council declined the development in perpetuity, acknowledging the potential noise pollution threat in this village setting.

6. Changing the use of the land from agricultural to industrial marks the incremental degradation of our village rural life and character of the local area without any benefit to our community.

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Kind regards

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