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To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0945
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 26/06/2026 9:46 PM.

Application Summary

Address: Abingworth Nurseries Storrington Road Thakeham West Sussex

Proposal: Variation of condition 1 of previously approved application reference DC/22/0773 (Variation of Condition 1 of previously approved application DC/19/1707 (Revised layout for Phase 3 of the Abingworth Meadows development (Original application ref: DC/10/1314) to provide for 75 dwellings including 26 affordable dwellings and community studio workshops). Amendment to design and layout of houses at plots 42-75) to reflect an additional swale within the landscaping (Retrospective).

Case Officer: Jason Hawkes

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Customer Details

Address: 6 Springett Close Thakeham

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:
- Other
- Privacy Light and Noise

Comments: I live in 6 Springett close and my garden and house backs onto the buffer zone. When people walk behind my fence they are I can see them from their waist and they can easily look into my house and garden. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] I'm concerned that the gates are not shown and the public will be able to access the swale. I would like to object to the plans submitted for the following reasons:
1. The buffer zone to the rear of Springett Close containing the swale is to be left open at either end in the plan. This will allow members of the public to access the area. With the topography of the land to the rear of Springett Close this will directly impact the privacy of residents. Members of the public will be able to see directly in to the gardens and the rear

facing living areas of the houses. To the rear of my own property anyone in the buffer zone can be seen head and shoulders above the fence line.

This would amount to an infringement of Article 1 of the Human Rights Act 1998, namely the right to peaceful enjoyment of property and Article 8 the right to a private and family life and for the home.

2. The area being open to the public may also damage the swale itself, leaving local residents with the responsibility to rectifying such damage. Also, the plan submitted does not appear to take into account section 2.2 of the risk assessment attached to the application which highlights the need to erect fencing to prevent access as mitigation of risks identified.

3. I would also like to highlight Thakeham Parish Council's objection to the previous application DC/22/0773 which states the buffer zone should be managed for nature with no right of public access.

4. A further amendment to the plan DC/22/0773 is the gated access at the Hammerhead to the public footpath. Previously there was no access through the estate onto the public footpath. Residents have received written assurances this gate is not for public access and will remain locked with access to HDC employees only. This reassurance is not included in this application.

Kind regards

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