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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/1440
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 26/10/2026 2:46 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land at Grid Reference 510699 117812 Bramble Lane Thakeham West Sussex
Proposal:	Use of land as Gypsy/Traveller site comprising 2 pitches with the siting of a Mobile Home and Dayroom per pitch.
Case Officer:	Hannah Darley

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Customer Details

Address:	The Street Thakeham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Member of the Public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Other - Overdevelopment - Privacy Light and Noise
Comments:	I'll repeat what I said on the previous application DC/26/0506 given this application again includes false information I can only assume designed to mislead HDC. The access provided with this application (document 'LOCATION PLAN: J005720-DD-01') does not match the deeds to this plot -

the applicants do not have right of way up the full length of the track indicated on this application. Furthermore, there is a concrete block stopping access to this plot (and others) on the track indicated on their application.

Local residents, at great expense, were forced to install a concrete block to stop other Travellers from trespassing on private land. This was caused by HDC's incompetence and inability to stop a prior Gypsy application, where the same access route as this application was provided, yet was not cross-referenced or verified against the plot deeds. Had they done so, permisson could not have been granted.

Since the concrete block was installed, existing travellers have tarmacked a road through a local resident's crop field (the actual route which this applicant's deeds provide right of access) with no planning permission or consent from the field owner. HDC again have shown incompetence by doing nothing about it, claiming zero accountability for their actions, enforcing nothing, and failing to apply a stop order prior to the installation of this road (despite being provided fair warning). This
occurred at roughly the same time the nation watched Oxford District Council refuse and reverse a track being installed on Clarksons Farm, whereby the owner couldn't install a track on his own farm land - proof of inconsistent enforcement at council level that's no doubt influened by the groups involved.

But this permissionless tarmac route running through a Thakeham-resident's crop field (which is the official access route to the plot on this application but is not indicated on the application) does not constitute "suitable access", given it doesn't have planning permission to exist - it must be assumed impassable in winter as the owner has the right
dig up the road at any time.

HDC now have the responsibility to limit the damage they've already caused Thakeham and its residents, allowing no further Gypsy & Traveller development sites in this location.

Residents of Thakeham urge HDC to fully understand the nuanced details of plot access in this location and the devastating impact the traffic is having on Bramble Lane (a privately owned farm track that's quickly being destoyed by the 10x volume in traffic in just a few years, impossible to enforce damage accountability, very difficult for on-coming vehicles to pass each other, zero funding for repairs, and harming all the innocent existing residents that have lived on Bramble Lane for decades).

This application is already looking to mislead decision-makers, just like similar applicaton before it, providing inaccurate access details and claims. But the facts have been established, local residents are aware, and HDC now has the knowledge to make

the correct decisions around development in this location.

Kind regards

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