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To: "Planning" <planning@horsham.gov.uk>
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DC/26/0266
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 08/09/2026 6:21 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Thakeham Mushrooms Storrington Road Thakeham Pulborough West Sussex RH20 3DY
Proposal:	Demolition of existing buildings and the redevelopment of the site to provide 150 dwellings, including affordable housing, land for the community land trust, works to public right of way and associated landscaping, open space and infrastructure. (AMENDMENTS INCLUDING AMENDED PLANS, SITE LOCATION PLAN AND RED LINE BOUNDARY)
Case Officer:	Sam Whitehouse

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Customer Details

Address: 22 Pavilion close Thakeham thakeham

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Highway Access and Parking - Loss of General Amenity - Overdevelopment
Comments:	I am writing to formally object to the proposed housing development at Thakeham under reference number DC/26/0266. As a local resident, I have severe concerns regarding the

suitability of this location and the cumulative impact of overbuilding across our local region.

My primary grounds for objection are:

Lack of Local Employment Opportunities: There is a distinct lack of local jobs within the immediate area to support the occupants of these proposed homes. Without nearby employment, residents will be forced to commute out of the area, converting this development into a dormitory settlement, increasing private vehicle dependency (car share schemes wouldn't work), and worsening the poor standard of the Storrington Rd which is already in disrepair, unsafe for cyclists and not suitable for walking as there are no foot paths.

Cumulative Impact of Regional Overbuilding: Surrounding towns and neighboring settlements have already experienced substantial housing expansion in recent years. With recent planning applications - The Land North West of Southwater (DC/26/0366) 1000 plus new homes, Horsham Golf Park Denne Park (DC/26/0430) 800 plus new homes, North of High Bar Lane Thakeham 25 Plus new homes, North of Rectory Lane Ashington (DC/26/1186) 125 plus new homes, Thakeham Tiles Ltd Rock Road Storrington (DC/25/2087) 100 plus new homes. These new builds will Add further high-density housing and places an unmanageable cumulative strain on shared regional services- including secondary schools, GP surgeries, hospitals and emergency services-that are already stretched to breaking point.

Overburdened Local Infrastructure: The immediate road network cannot safely handle the extra vehicular traffic generated by the construction traffic of heavy vehicles, by residents seeking work, schools, and amenities outside the village/town.

Housing growth must be backed by genuine local economic opportunity and matched with adequate infrastructure which this planning application does not. This proposal simply shifts the burden onto neighbouring towns while providing no local employment benefits adding more strain on shared regional services.

I strongly urge the planning committee to refuse this application

Kind regards

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