

Susan Dubberley

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Sent: 16 September 2026 18:59
To: Susan Dubberley
Subject: Objection letter between 149 and 161 college lane hurstpierpoint DM/26 /2178

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Dear Susan

As a resident of Hurstpierpoint we are plagued with potential development sites and your Council website is currently down again.

I personally have spent so much time trying to log in. How can this be a fair process. I am sure many residents will just give up.

I object to the development on the following grounds

1. Infrastructure capacity

The most fundamental concern is whether the existing infrastructure, together with the infrastructure currently proposed, has the capacity to support the scale of development being contemplated.

Water supply

There are serious questions about whether the local water supply infrastructure has sufficient capacity to support the proposed level of additional housing. This needs to be properly assessed before sites are allocated, rather than relying on infrastructure improvements being delivered at some unspecified point in the future.

Sewerage and flooding

The additional population will inevitably increase demand upon the local sewerage network. There are also concerns regarding surface-water drainage and the potential for increased flood risk.

It is not sufficient simply to state that appropriate drainage solutions can be provided at a later stage. The cumulative impact of thousands of additional homes needs to be properly understood, with clear evidence that the necessary sewerage and drainage infrastructure can accommodate the development.

Electricity supply

The capacity of the local electricity network must also be considered. Large-scale development will substantially increase demand, particularly as new homes are increasingly dependent upon electricity for heating and vehicle charging.

There needs to be clear evidence that sufficient electricity capacity exists, or a firm and deliverable programme for the necessary upgrades.

Schools

The additional housing will inevitably generate substantial demand for school places.

The capacity of existing primary and secondary schools should be assessed against the cumulative number of additional homes proposed. If additional school provision is required, there must be clarity about where it will be provided, how it will be funded and, critically, when it will actually become available.

It would be unacceptable for thousands of homes to be occupied before the necessary educational infrastructure is operational.

GP and healthcare services

The same concern applies to GP surgeries, dentists, pharmacies and other healthcare services.

Existing services are already under pressure in many parts of Sussex. The additional population generated by this level of development will place further demand upon local healthcare provision.

There must be a properly evidenced assessment of capacity and a clear mechanism for delivering additional healthcare provision where required.

Public transport

Hurstpierpoint is not a location with unlimited public transport capacity. Additional development will inevitably increase reliance upon private cars unless there is a substantial and credible improvement in public transport.

There needs to be a clear, funded and deliverable public transport strategy rather than an assumption that residents will simply use existing services.

Traffic congestion

Traffic is one of the most immediate concerns.

The cumulative increase in vehicle movements from the proposed developments has the potential to place substantial additional pressure on the local road network, particularly through Hurstpierpoint and along the routes connecting the village to surrounding settlements and employment areas. no footpath and connection to the village or station.

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