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Subject: Urban Obs for DM/25/3129 Urban Obs Outline Planning Land east of Borde Hill Lane Haywards Heath

Hi Steven.

Regarding the DM/25/3129 *Outline planning application for the erection of up to 125 dwellings, together with the provision of landscaping, open space, and associated development works, with access from Balcombe Road. All matters reserved except for access;* before I will submit my full comments, I would like to point out that in my opinion access requires further clarification and refinement to address its impact on the surrounding context and ensure successful integration.

I am concerned about the increase in the size of the roundabout and the impact this will have on the surrounding context.
This is the point where Haywards Heath transitions into the countryside, so the edge should feel gradual and welcoming.
The existing small roundabout is already far from ideal for this location. Adding another connecting 'leg' to it seems like a logical solution but making it bigger and wider will result in more intrusive road infrastructure and should be avoided, as it would reinforce a harsh visual edge and disrupt the gradual transition to the surrounding countryside.

Furthermore, the proposed size and scale of the new round about appears overblown in relation to the development.

I would encourage the applicant to consider solutions that are more in keeping with the scale of the development and that integrate better with the surrounding landscape.

Thank you
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