

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 02/03/2026 9:02 PM from Mr Stephen Down.

### Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of 51 To 63 Southview Road Southwick West Sussex
Proposal:	2 new dwellings with parking and associated access and amenity areas
Case Officer:	Peter Barnett

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### Customer Details

Name:	Mr Stephen Down
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Address:	
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### Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
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Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
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Reasons for comment:	- Other
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Comments:	I wish to formally object to the proposed development on the grounds of flood risk and its potential impact on existing residents.
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The site lies along the route of the historic brook that runs between Underdown Road and Southview Road. This watercourse continues to play an important role in local surface water drainage. Any development that obstructs, diverts, or builds over this natural flow path risks significantly increasing flooding to the surrounding properties. We've seen this happen numerous times over the last few years with massive impact on residents.

Residents in the immediate area already experience serious flooding issues during periods of heavy rainfall. Approving a development in this location would almost certainly exacerbate these existing problems, potentially resulting in damage to homes, increased insurance costs, and significant distress to those living nearby. Last time it flooded, raw sewage was coming out - hazardous for people in the area. Adding more properties in that space will make this even worse.

Similar applications relating to this site have been refused for the same reasons. It is concerning that developers are able to resubmit proposals repeatedly, requiring residents to continually defend their homes and raise the same objections year after year. This places an unfair and ongoing burden on the local community.

For these reasons, I strongly urge the Council to refuse this application in order to protect existing residents and avoid worsening an already serious flooding situation.

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