

Comments for Planning Application AWDM/0628/26



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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 17/08/2026 3:00 PM from Mr John Cox.

Application Summary

Address: Land Between Sword Street And Martlets Way Worthing West Sussex

Proposal: Full planning application for a mixed-use development comprising 123 dwellings and commercial floorspace together with associated parking, landscaping, open space and drainage [Land at Durrington Gasworks]

Case Officer: Giles Holbrook

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Customer Details

Name: Mr John Cox

Email:

Address: 39 Rosebery Avenue Worthing West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour

Stance: Customer made comments neither objecting to or supporting the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

- Highway Access and Parking
- Other
- Trees and Landscaping

Comments: I do not object to the Scheme in principle:- however Adur Worthing Council needs to maintain strict control over the actions of Bellway Homes as they are not to be trusted.

In particular any removal or reduction in height of the existing mature Holm Oaks as during the Elizabeth Square development the mature trees were not just reduced in height but ripped out! The subsequent replacement planting has been less than satisfactory (more hedgerow than tree species planted) as has been maintenance during the period after planting with many of the so called trees dead or dying.

As the original site application (ADWM/1979/19) knowing this phase would follow the single entry and exit point via sword Street to the whole estate should be retained as the original scheme. This was part of the accepted design to prevent a 'rat run' being created for drivers to avoid the Shaftesbury Ave traffic lights at the Leisure Centre and on Goring Road. They were and are already using Rosebery Avenue as a short cut.

With this increased number of properties plus the impending development of Bridge House I would hope that the junction at Barrington Road/Shaftesbury Ave is looked at other than as a desk top study.

Too many drivers cut the corner into Barrington Road when turning right coming down Durrington Bridge, especially dangerous for school children and other pedestrians at peak times/school term time. There have been several incidents, luckily nothing yet serious.

* A simple solution would be a pedestrian island at the eastern end of Barrington Road as at the eastern end of Marlborough Road along with making exiting the east end of Barrington Road 'Left Turn Only'. Drivers from the Elizabeth Square development already use Rosebery Ave/Marlborough Road as quicker than turning right out of Barrington Road East.

* The double yellow lining and single yellow line restrictions along the eastern section of Barrington Road need to be re-applied along with the necessary signage to enforce, they have been lost or removed during the Bellway development with heavy traffic, road repairs and re-placement street lighting. It might also be wise to place double yellow lines on the section both sides between Rosebery Ave and the Barrington shared surface section to give greater visibility to those using Sword Street.

* Bellway Homes ought to pay for this as a condition of planning approval.

Kind regards