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Hi,

I am unable to submit my comment on the planning portal so as requested on the site I am emailing them for you to add to planning application AWDM/0737/26

Thanks,

Jo

Dear Planning Officer,

I am writing to formally object to the planning application for a recreational facility at Goring Gap.

Goring Gap is a protected, vital green space. Building a permanent facility here contradicts the Worthing Local Plan (2023). I urge the Council to refuse this application for the following reasons:

1. Breach of Policy SS5: The gap is meant to remain open to prevent urban sprawl between Worthing and Ferring. Permanent structures would destroy this openness.
2. Conflict with Policy SS6: As designated Local Green Space, this land has protections similar to the Green Belt. This development does not meet the necessary criteria for building.
3. Landscape Damage: The site's views connecting the South Downs to the sea are unique. Built infrastructure would ruin this coastal landscape.
4. Ecological Impact: This area is a crucial wildlife corridor. A new facility would harm biodiversity and conflict with the Council's environmental goals.
5. Traffic and Safety: The local roads, especially the A259, are already congested. A new facility would increase traffic, creating safety and air quality concerns.

The Worthing Local Plan is designed to prevent this type of inappropriate development. Please uphold these policies and protect Goring Gap.

Yours sincerely,

Jo Baldwin

