

SAY NO to 800 Houses on Denne Hill

Horsham Golf and The Generator Group want to build 800 homes on Denne Hill, across the thriving Golf Course.

Denne Hill is one of the most iconic Green Spaces within walking distance of Horsham. It is a popular destination for us all to take exercise and enjoy the beautiful medieval parkland vistas.

It is a haven for wildlife and home to a number of red listed bat species, Purple Emperor butterflies, Great Crested Newts and Orchids, all of which would be severely threatened by any development.

As seen elsewhere around Horsham, 800 homes at Horsham Golf is the thin edge of the wedge for ever more house building across the Hill and the coalescence of Horsham and Southwater.

What Can You Do?

Let Horsham District Council know how you feel.

Submit an objection to application DC/23/1178 before 19th July 2023

https://public-access.horsham.gov.uk/public-access





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Ideas on what to say are overleaf



NO to 800 Houses on Denne Hill What Could You Say ?

- **1.** Development at Horsham Golf would be a watershed move towards the coalescence of the built-up areas of Southwater and Horsham.
- 2. Increased traffic will cause congestion on Worthing Road and further compromise safety on what is already a dangerous route into town for cyclists and pedestrians.
- **3.** Denne Hill with its woodland connection to Chesworth Farm Local Nature Reserve has a rich and diverse fauna and flora. The parkland has been designated by DEFRA as a "Priority Habitat" of Good Quality, Semi-Improved Grassland". No less than 10 different bat species have been recoded in the Bat Roosts that are in and adjacent to the Golf Course, including ones that are classified as Endangered, Vunerable and Near Threatened on the IUCN Red List. Butterflies include the iconic Purple Emperor and the ancient ponds from the Denne Park Estate include thriving colonies of Great Crested Newts. The Golf Course also sits adjacent to an area of Ancient Woodland. Any development on Horsham Golf would detrimentally impact these species and their habitats as well as all the other Fauna and Flora.
- **4.** Any Development at Horsham Golf would put additional stress on the already overburdened local infrastructure schools, doctors, dentists etc as there has been no provision for any of these in the proposed development.
- **5.** Golfers want to play 18 holes, not 9. Horsham Golf is an affordable course in close proximity to the high population centre of Horsham, a sustainable option for a climate challenged future. With our ageing population and increased leisure time Horsham will need more Golf Courses, not fewer. Loss of Horsham Golf would create an undeliverable demand for tee-times at Rookwood now and in the future.
- 6. Denne Hill is designated as an area for Informal/Formal Sports and Heritage Land in the Southwater Neighbourhood Plan and it is outside the SNP1 Built Up Area Boundary designated for future house building. The Plan was approved by 82% of Southwater Residents (2021 Referendum).

It would be un-democratic to simply ignore that Plan.

For more information please visit our website

Keep Denne Hill Green





