Land at Buck Barn, West Grinstead (Weald Cross)

The site is greenfield. It consists of arable and pasture fields, hedgerows and mature trees. The southern boundary of the site adjoins the A272 east of the Buck Barn crossroads junction with the A24.

Site area: 180 hectares

The site promoter has stated that if the site were allocated they would provide:

- 35% of all homes as affordable housing and elderly care provision
- Land for a new primary and secondary school
- New community, recreation, open space and retail facilities
- Biodiversity net gains
- Enhancements to A24 alongside a park and ride scheme
- Some employment floorspace
- Electric vehicle charging points.

Pros and Cons

- If allocated the site would help the Council to meet the Government’s housing requirements and would provide new facilities and services such as shops and schools and leisure facilities.
- Development would be large scale and would lead to a significant change in the settlement pattern and rural environment.
- Further information is needed to understand how biodiversity gains could be provided and how the setting of listed buildings will be protected.
- More information on how employment will be provided is needed.
- The site is relatively close to Southwater and there may be impacts on the vitality of this settlement.
- Development in this location will increase traffic and car use in the area. More work is needed to understand the precise impacts and how a Park and Ride facility could operate.

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