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Date: 3rd February 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990**  
**APPEAL UNDER S78**

**Planning Inspectorate Reference:** 6004275  
**SDNPA Reference:** SDNP/25/02855/PA3R  
**Name of Appellant(s):** Mr M Brotherton  
**Subject of Appeal:** Application to determine if prior approval is required for a Change of use of agricultural barn (poultry shed) to B8 Storage and Distribution use  
**Site at:** Land West Of Gardners Farm , Pratts Lane, Steep Marsh, Petersfield, Hampshire, GU32 2BJ  
**Appeal Start date:** 2nd February 2026

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State against the Refusal to grant planning consent, details shown above.

It has been agreed by the Planning Inspectorate that the appeal will be dealt with on the basis of **Written Representations**. This means that the appeal will be decided on written statements of the parties concerned and that no public local inquiry will be held. This may be subject to review at a later date.

The procedure to be followed is set out in Part 2 of The Town and Country Planning (Appeals) (Written Representations Procedure) (England) Regulations 2009, as amended.

We have forwarded all the representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

If you wish to elaborate, or modify/withdraw your previous comments, you can do so on the Inspectorate Website at <https://appeal-planning-decision.service.gov.uk/comment-planning-appeal/enter->

[appeal-reference.](#)

If you do not have access to the internet, you can send your comments by post to the Planning Inspectorate at the address overleaf.

**All representations must be received by 9th March 2026.** Any representations submitted after the deadline will not usually be considered and will be returned. The Planning Inspectorate does not acknowledge representations. **All representations must quote the appeal reference.**

Please note that any representations you submit to the Planning Inspectorate will be copied to the appellants and this local planning authority and will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.

Information provided in your representation will be published. This may include your name and address, but personal telephone numbers and email addresses and signatures of individuals will be removed. If you object to publication in this way, please contact the Planning Inspectorate.

The appeal documents are available for inspection at:

East Hampshire District Council, PO Box 310, Petersfield, GU32 9HN  
Tel: 01730 266551 Email: [planningdev@easthants.gov.uk](mailto:planningdev@easthants.gov.uk)

or through the National Park's website at <https://planningpublicaccess.southdowns.gov.uk/> by searching using the SDNPA appeal reference SDNP/26/00002/REF.

The National Park's statement should also be available but please check before coming to the office if you particularly wish to see it. A copy of the appellants' grounds of appeal is available during normal office hours or through the National Park's website.

You can get a copy of one of the Planning Inspectorate's "Guide to taking part in planning appeals" booklets free of charge from <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/taking-part-in-a-planning-listed-building-or-enforcement-appeal>

When made, the decision will be published on the Inspectorate Website at <https://appeal-planning-decision.service.gov.uk/comment-planning-appeal/enter-appeal-reference>. If you wish to be advised of the outcome of the decision, you must write to the Planning Inspectorate and request that they notify you of the decision.

Yours faithfully

Planning Support Team  
East Hampshire District Council  
For and on behalf of South Downs National Park Authority

## **COMMUNICATING WITH THE INSPECTORATE**

**Do not send your comments to the planning authority, as this will delay them reaching the Planning Inspectorate.**

**Your representations should be sent to:**           The Planning Inspectorate  
FAO -

**To be received not later than:**           9th March 2026