The proposed development is not sustainable, and should be rejected for the reasons succinctly explained by the Planning Inspector who examined the HDPF in his ‘Report to Horsham District Council’, The Planning Inspectorate, 8 October 2015, paragraph 86:

"However, I raised significant concerns about the sustainability of the location of the MMT site, in particular its distance from railway services and the strategic road network and the potential usage and viability of the ‘park and ride’ proposals. These concerns were refuted by the promoters of the proposed MMT but endorsed by other participants, including both District Councils. To my mind the location of the site beyond reasonable walking and cycle distance from the rail services serving LGW and the main employment centres along the route remains a severe disadvantage. Even if the MMT provided a significant amount of new employment, it is unrealistic to expect such a level of self-containment that a very significant proportion of travel to work by car would be avoided".

These concerns and constraints identified by the Inspector are still valid. Accordingly, the application should be rejected.