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**Subject:** Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application  
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## Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 15/04/2025 4:23 PM.

### Application Summary

Address:	Site Of 60 Keymer Road Hassocks West Sussex BN6 8AR
Proposal:	Mixed use redevelopment of the site comprising of ground floor commercial/community use and 26 No. new residential units on upper floors alongside associated parking and public realm improvements.
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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### Customer Details

Address:	47 Wilimington Close Hassocks
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### Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	The proposed building is an over-development in the middle of a downland village in a rural setting - it is more in keeping with a city development.
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It is very bulky and very high (4 storeys) and will have a significant overbearing impact. It will cut out the skyline and view of the downs from the centre of the village making the village centre feel very closed in and taking away its rural feel. There will be a

significant loss of outlook. Once taken away this will change forever the nature of this downland village to a more urban feel.

A 2 or 3 storey development would be more appropriate.

The building line right to the boundary will block the clear vision of car drivers coming out of Dale Avenue into Keymer Road and make the roads in the centre of the village less safe. This is a very busy corner, mid way between the Infants School in Keymer Road and the Junior and Senior Schools in Dale Avenue. There is heavy pupil footfall and school traffic at this corner of Keymer Road and Dale Avenue where the development is sited at the start and finish of the school day.

The allocation of car parking spaces on the development is not enough for the number of people who will be living in the flats and, along with their visitors, will aggravate the parking problems in the centre of the village which are already a significant problem.

Overall we support a well thought through, less bulky, sympathetic and aesthetically pleasing development in the centre of the village but this proposal will adversely impact the centre of the village and needs to be carefully thought through for such an important site which will forever define the centre of the village.

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Kind regards