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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/1185

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 10/09/2025 6:42 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Tennis Courts At St Francis Sports And Social Club Colwell Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 4EZ
Proposal:	Temporary (36 months) permission for change of use of existing tennis courts to padel courts and associated works (Acoustic report received 21.08.2025)
Case Officer:	Stefan Galyas

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Customer Details

Address: 6 Blenheim Mews Southdowns Park Haywards

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I wish to object to DM/25/1185 Padel Courts, Hurstwood Sports Group Ltd, Construction of three Padel courts, replacing the currently unused Tennis courts at the Southdown's park site. Noise levels from Padel courts are generally accepted to be between 75Db to 90Db and not as stated in the planning application document of 50Db, I note from the Environment study statement, that possible legal action by residents is a distinct possibility, if the noise and light levels exceed certain

environmental limits.

The parking spaces shown on the plan, eight in number is inadequate for the facility, considering the vast majority of Padel games are played with four players on each court, Which equates to twelve cars requiring parking spaces, not including players arriving and departing. One assumes that St Francis Sports and social club parking area adjacent to the Social club buildings, or the football club parking area will be designated as overflow parking.

Access to the area is supposedly by the one way system via the princess Royal hospital . In reality access will be by Southdown's Park private roads, which are already used by Hospital, football, delivery drivers to the hospital. Which causes unnecessary degradation to the residential access roads, the upkeep is paid for by the residents of Southdown's Park.

The south side of Southdown's park where our communal gardens are situated and are used for sitting in, reading, chatting with neighbours and friends. This will be disrupted and spoil our free time and relaxing . So important for mental health in this day and age. The proposed opening hours of 07:00 to 22:00 hrs, 7 days a week, is excessive, Certainly the evening time hours are when residents expect to have a relatively peaceful existence.

The statement that the nearest part of the listed building is approximately 100 meters from the site is fictitious at best the measurement is 71 meters

Kind regards