

Stefan Galyas

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Sent: 10 September 2025 22:25
To: Stefan Galyas
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 10:24 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:	17 Western Road Newick
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Dear sir, Whilst I consider there is a need for more leisure facilities in Haywards Heath, care needs to be taken about how these fit in with existing infrastructure. I am a member of St Francis bowls club which will be an immediate neighbour to these padel courts and I want to voice some concerns. Firstly I am worried that the noise and visible movement will interfere with the bowling next door on the bowling green. Bowling requires concentration and is difficult to play in a noisy or visually busy environment. Secondly I am worried about parking on site. It is already very difficult to park when visiting the hospital and I have had to drive round and round looking for a space when my wife has had appointments more than once. Several active padel courts could easily generate twelve to fifteen extra cars at any time, more at changeover times or if there is a spectator element. So I am asking that conditions be put on the developer to ensure the bowls club is protected from noise or visual interference, and that the developer provides additional parking adequate

for the padel users. The continued viability of the bowls club could be at stake here, which is a very valuable facility for the older generation. There is little point installing a padel club and destroying a bowls club. I also note that there are padel courts being installed at the rugby club, is there the demand for yet more of them? I really hope the plans can be modified as above or if not, are rejected.

Yours faithfully,

[Redacted Signature]

Kind regards