

From: planninginfo@midsussex.gov.uk <planninginfo@midsussex.gov.uk>
Sent: 10 November 2025 22:47:44 UTC+00:00
To: "Martin Dale" <martin.dale@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/2634

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 10/11/2025 10:47 PM.

Application Summary

Address: Land Adjacent To Batchelors Farmhouse Keymer Road Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0BQ

Proposal: Outline Planning Application with all matters reserved (except the means of access from the public highway) for residential development and the construction of up to 26 dwellings, with vehicular accesses, and new footpath links to Keymer Road, the provision of new landscape amenity space, areas of ecological enhancements, together with associated Highways, Drainage and Utilities works associated with the proposed development.

Case Officer: Martin Dale

[Click for further information](#)

Customer Details

Address: Broadlands Keymer Road Burgess Hill

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Neighbour or general public

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: We object to the above planning application on predominantly highway safety grounds and also question the economic benefits of the proposal.

1. The plans do not show the new driveway entrance to Purtons, Keymer Road which would be opposite the southern entrance to the site. Purtons is a new build house and the plans seem to be recycled from previous planning applications. Please do consider the safety of the access to the site, and the occupants of Purtons, in light of the Purtons driveway.

2. The lack of pavement from the southern access point is a danger to pedestrians. It is unlikely that people will walk around the site to meet the pavement on the corner of Broadlands. If 23 households regularly crossed the 40 mph country road this would increase the number of incidents.

3. It is expected families are the target occupiers of the proposed new properties. We have young children and teenagers and the gates to our house are always locked and they know not to try to cross the road because of the danger.

4. Flooding on the road is common and without adequate pavement there is little protection for pedestrians so it's impractical. This is particularly true for those who are occupying the affordable homes who may not drive. Where there is pavement to walk on, to access the amenities of Burgess Hill, it is narrow, at times you have to walk in the road if pushing a buggy and you are very close to speeding traffic. This is a semi-rural setting and may not suit the needs of occupier of affordable homes because of the lack of access to basic amenities and the safety concerns for young children.

5. The very limited number of homes proposed when weighed against: the risk of road traffic accidents, the semi-rural location meaning no mains sewerage and very limited water pressure, the lack of public transport and the inconvenience of lack of pavement to walk to amenities, does not seem to make any positive impact on the council's objectives, the economy of the local area or the environment.

6. There are hundreds of new build homes available to buy withing metres of the proposed site, many of which are not sold. It is questionable as to why a purchaser would want to live in the proposed development when they could live in a more convenient location for amenities, with main sewerage and that's safer for them.

Kind regards