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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 07/08/2025 10:56 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Woodlands Close And Land To The North Of Burleigh Lane Crawley Down Crawley West Sussex RH10 4JZ
Proposal:	The demolition of numbers 9-11 Woodlands Close together with the demolition of other existing buildings on site and erection of 48 dwellings (Use Class C3) with open space, landscaping, car parking and associated infrastructure including provision of internal access roads and access road onto Woodlands Close.
Case Officer:	Katherine Williams

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Customer Details

Address:	18 Field Drive Crawley Down Crawley
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I am writing to object to the above planning application. This proposal would replace just two existing homes with around 49 new houses, creating unacceptable pressure on Crawley Down's already overstretched infrastructure and services.

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Key Concerns

- Road Safety & Access - Woodlands Close and Kiln Road cannot handle the extra traffic. Junctions nearby are already dangerous, and putting more vehicles on them will make matters worse. An elderly resident will be left isolated between new access roads.
- Overloaded Local Services - Schools, GP surgeries, and amenities have no spare capacity. Crawley Down Surgery is under special measures, and adding hundreds more residents will only worsen the situation.
- Housing Quota Already Exceeded - 350 homes have already been approved on Turners Hill Road. There is no justification for another large development.
- Environmental Impact - The plans would damage green spaces, remove trees, and threaten local wildlife habitats.
- Drainage Issues - The village drainage system already fails in heavy rain, with water running into the village pond. This development would add even more strain and increase flood risk.
- Planning Policy Conflict - The access plan ignores the Mid Sussex Site Allocations DPD, which clearly states Sycamore Lane should be used.

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Conclusion

This is the wrong plan in the wrong place. It is unsafe, unsustainable, and out of keeping with the character of the village. I urge you to refuse this application.

Kind regards