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To: "Susan Dubberley" <susan.dubberley@midsussex.gov.uk>
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 29/01/2025 6:02 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Sussex House Perrymount Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 1DN
Proposal:	Demolition of the existing buildings and construction of a new food store (Use Class E(a)), with access, car and cycle parking, landscaping and associated works
Case Officer:	Susan Dubberley

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Customer Details

Address: 14 Queens Road Haywards Heath

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	We live close to the proposed site and object to the proposed development on two grounds: 1) the very adverse impact on traffic and parking in the area. This area of Haywards Heath is already very congested and is completely grid-locked at rush hour. The development of Waitrose was supposed to alleviate the problems with cars dropping off and picking up at the station, but it hasn't, and if anything it is much worse now than it was. The

addition of another superstore in this area would only increase the amount of traffic at peak times and greatly increases the risk of accidents, as well as increasing air pollution and the pressure on parking locally.

2) there is no need for yet another food-based superstore on this site. There is already a large Sainsbury's, Waitrose and small Budgens (which is relocating due to demolition of the building it's in) serving the community, within a few hundred yards. Car parking is already at a premium in this area and there will undoubtedly be further increased pedestrian foot traffic as well as cars. This area was never designed for the amount of traffic it is now serving. The risk of accident - especially as there are school children walking to and from schools locally - would increase hugely with yet another food market here.

The site could more usefully be developed into a community centre (as was supposed to happen with Claire Hall) and possibly additional parking.

Kind regards