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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 29/01/2025 7:52 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Highfields West Hill East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 4DL
Proposal:	Demolition of existing dwelling and the erection of a care home (Class C2) and a separate building with additional care units (Class C2).
Case Officer:	Joanne Fisher

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Customer Details

Address:	Wildwood West Lane East Grinstead
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments:	As an elderly (91) resident of West Lane, I object to this development, the effects of which have not been thought through. The size of the development as proposed, will have a huge impact on the traffic in West Hill and West Street. I try to walk as much as possible and crossing West Hill from West Lane is already a very hazardous business. The speeds of traffic both up and down are often way above the 30mph speed limit and there is no monitoring or speed calming. There is no pavement on the West Lane side of West Hill and no centre refuge. Parking is an aggravating factor. I
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am unaware of any current survey to look at these problems. In the previous application, the photograph used of West Hill to indicate the absence of a problem was taken at an off-peak time when there was little parking and traffic. This is very unusual.

I also drive and the planners should experience driving in and out of West Lane to appreciate that sight lines are dangerous, particularly turning uphill. Inevitably, you move out without being able to judge the upcoming traffic behind you. The increased traffic stemming from the new development coming downhill will leave little time to judge when to emerge. Going downhill, one is forced to turn on to the wrong side of West Hill, against the traffic. The additional volume of traffic emerging from the development will make these manoeuvres even more dangerous. In other words, the whole road layout will need replanning.

The traffic emerging from the new development will have similar problems, avoiding fast moving traffic on West Hill and parked cars both in that road and on the corner in West Street.

What steps are envisaged to deal with these hazards?

Kind regards