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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 11/04/2026 5:35 PM.

### Application Summary

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| Address:      | 5 Orchard Close Scaynes Hill Haywards Heath West Sussex<br>RH17 7PQ                                                                                                                                                        |
| Proposal:     | Change of Use from dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) to children's residential care home (Use Class C2) for up to (2/3) children. No external alterations proposed. (additional information received 30.03.2026 and 07.04.2026) |
| Case Officer: | Hamish Evans                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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### Customer Details

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| Address: | The reddings Lewes road Scaynes hill |
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### Comments Details

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| Commenter Type:      | Neighbour or general public                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Stance:              | Customer objects to the Planning Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Reasons for comment: |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Comments:            | While I have no objection in principle to small-scale childcare, I am concerned about the potential impact on the residential character of the area. The application appears to introduce a business use within what is currently a quiet residential street, and there is limited information on how this use would be managed.<br><br>In particular, I would ask the council to consider: |

- The potential for increased traffic and parking pressure during drop-off and pick-up times, even with a small number of children
- The impact of regular, structured outdoor activity on neighbouring amenity in terms of noise
- The absence of clear limits on operating hours, days of use, and whether care could extend to evenings, weekends, or overnight stays
- The possibility of incremental expansion over time, should the use become established, and whether appropriate conditions should be applied to prevent intensification beyond what is proposed

Given the above, I would request that, if approved, the application be subject to strict conditions regarding the number of children, hours of operation, and use of outdoor space, in order to protect the residential amenity of neighbouring properties.

Thank you for your consideration.  
Kind regards Ms Pollard

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