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To: "Joanne Fisher" <joanne.fisher@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 12/03/2025 8:02 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Colwell Farm Lewes Road Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved except for access, for up to 80 dwellings with associated landscaping, open space, infrastructure and vehicular and pedestrian accesses.
Case Officer:	Joanne Fisher

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Customer Details

Address:	45 Town Wood Close Haywards Heath
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	The EIA found the site to be of 'county importance' for one the UK's rarest mammals, the endangered Hazel Dormouse (<i>Muscardinus avellanarius</i>), as well as finding rare bats, birds and reptiles. Hazel Dormice are a conservation priority species in the UK, assessed by Natural England as being vulnerable to extinction. A licence from Natural England is required to disturb and monitor Hazel Dormice. The EIA found a living Hazel Dormouse and three Hazel

Dormouse nests in the species-rich hedgerows bordering the fields. After doing a brief survey, the developers deemed the site of "at least regional importance" for bats with a wide range of species, including IUCN endangered species' Leisler's bat and Barbastelle, and other species including Noctule, Serotine and Soprano Pipistrelle bats.

Not to mention the increased pressure on schools and GPs in the local area, who are already struggling to stay under capacity. This increase in traffic will also make the roads harder to maintain (if you can justify that they are even being maintained currently), alongside adding more cars to one of the busiest roads in Haywards Heath as it is.

We don't need anymore houses here, there's plenty going up in Burgess Hill to cover this area too.

Kind regards