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To: "Hamish Evans" <hamish.evans@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/1495

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 17/07/2025 10:00 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Adj. To Rocky Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	The installation of a 22.5 metre lattice mast, mounted with 9No. antennas, 12No. cabinets, 1No. Electrical meter cabinet located within a compound comprised of 2.4 metre high chain-link fence topped with 3 strands of barbed wire and the creation of a new access from Rocky Lane and ancillary development thereto. (Additional Highways information received 08.07.2025)
Case Officer:	Hamish Evans

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Customer Details

Address:	9 Old House Lane 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:	We previously objected to this planning application on the 26th of June as we understood, at that time, objections had to be submitted by the 7th of July. We also attended the Ansty & Staplefield Council Parish Council meeting on the 14th of July to put forward our objections. After receiving an official planning notice yesterday, 15th July, for the first time, stating that

objections must be submitted by the 31/07/2025 we would like to add the following to our objections.

1. Cellnex claim that there is "insufficient cover" on this section of the BML but according to independent network assessors this part of the track already has excellent 4G/4G+ coverage. This information is publicly available.

2. Cellnex objected to planning application RM/24/0800 for a very similar mast at Clearwaters Farm that was proposed by Icon Tower Infrastructure only last year saying that the new mast was not needed.

The full details of the Cellnex objections can be viewed on planning application RM/24/0800 dated 1/5/2024 and 30/5/2024.

However, a very brief synopsis of Cellnex's objections to the Clearwater farm mast are as follow:-

i. Cellnex stated that "the ground mast is not justified as any mast apparatus can be installed on pylons"

Indeed, Cellnex already have mobile network provider apparatus installed on nearby pylons hence the already excellent coverage on this part of the track.

Cellnex also have a contractual right to use pylons in full agreement with the National Grid.

ii. Cellnex stated that "since existing pylons are capable of hosting equipment, a new mast will be an unnecessary structure impacting the environment"

iii. Cellnex stated that "pylons should be used to avoid unnecessary proliferation of masts"

iv. Cellnex stated that "town planning policies relating to telecoms developments should be built subject to environmental considerations"

Concerns regarding planning application DM/25/1495 are wide ranging from the effect of the development on the appearance of the area to highway safety issues and serious health implications from continuous exposure to radiation from the mast to name but a few.

We sincerely hope that the council will deny this application for a new mast which is clearly not needed and not wanted.

Kind regards