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To: "Steven King" <steven.king@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 17/03/2026 2:51 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land North Of Borers Arms Road Copthorne West Sussex RH10 3LH
Proposal:	Outline planning application with all matters reserved except for access for the demolition of an existing commercial building and the erection of up to 260 dwellings, up to 1,700sqm of employment floorspace E(c)(iii), E(g)(i)(ii)(iii), car parking, landscaping, open space, and associated development works, with access from Copthorne Bank and Borers Arms Road.
Case Officer:	Steven King

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Customer Details

Address: 7 Lashmere Copthorne Crawley

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	The proposed development and access point will put immediate and unsustainable pressure on the local community and infrastructure. Pedestrian safety will be severely compromised by the increase in traffic as well as commercial vehicles all using Borers Yard to

access properties, when it is already busy.

The area is listed as an unimproved meadow and the level of varied wildlife confirms that. We have regular sightings of BATS in the garden during the summer, and it is my belief that they are protected - what is the guarantee of their safety and continuing presence?

FLOODING must be a major area of concern, especially with test pits failing and instead filling with water. Where will the surface water drain to? Who will supply drinking water? We already have an almost year round hosepipe ban.

Infrastructure, roads, services, added pressure from surrounding towns gaining access to the M23 mean access into Bowers Arms road from the A264 will worsen, whilst trying to exit the village will become a nightmare for any pain, especially from Lashmere onto the A264.

Local schools, GPs, Cubs, Scouts, Guides, Brownies, etc are oversubscribed and this will worsen.

A village such as Copthorne is being turned into a town with all these plans and developments, but doesn't have the infrastructure to cope

Kind regards