

## Deborah Lynn

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 08 May 2026 11:16  
**To:** Deborah Lynn  
**Subject:** Ref DM/26/0950

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Dear Deborah,

I am writing to formally object to the proposals for 101 South Road. Specifically:

- **Change of use.** We do not need another shop on the high street that sells vapes, snack and energy drinks. It is practically next door to a very large vape shop (7G) already, with another one, QSS, less than 100 yards away on South Road, as well as being opposite the K&A convenience store that opens late and sells...snacks, drinks and vapes. This is in addition to Lokos, Amy's and the horrifically garish Green City on Sussex Road. I cannot believe we need more, and with recent news reports about these premises often being a front for selling illegal drugs and tobacco there is even more need for the Council to scrutinise why we have a proliferation of these types of shops wishing to open in a town that lacks visible law enforcement. Further, too many people already ignore the double yellow lines at the top of Haywards Road, park dangerously, use the junction with South Road as a U-turn and park on the pavement, so adding another 'convenience' store will almost certainly inconvenience pedestrians and motorists alike.
- **Vinyl signage.** This is completely out of keeping with the current high street – it is garish and promotes products that are inherently unhealthy and with as-yet unknown: Monster, Red Bull and vapes. It directly faces the main street along which a significant volume of children pass to and from local schools, to whom the colours are particularly attractive, also to whom these products should not be promoted. The signage has been erected ahead of planning approval (which I have a photograph of) in flagrant breach of the planning notice displayed in the premises.
- **Late opening.** Haywards heath is not a 24-7 town. K&A already sell all the products this shop proposes to and opens late already, as does the Co-op at the Texaco garage on Franklynn Road There is no reason for another shop to peddle snacks and energy drinks late into the evening.

In my view this shop is not needed, does not add anything unique in terms of its offering or aesthetically in its plans, is already breaching civic rules and planning regulations. The application should be rejected.

Regards,

[REDACTED]  
Wood Ride