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To: "Stefan Galyas" <stefan.galyas@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 17/11/2025 9:45 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Tennis Courts At St Francis Sports And Social Club Colwell Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 4EZ
Proposal:	Temporary (36 months) permission for change of use of existing tennis courts to padel courts and associated works (Further acoustic and lighting information received 04.11.2025 and plans 07.11.2025 and 11.11.2025)
Case Officer:	Stefan Galyas

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Customer Details

Address: 24 Park West Southdowns Park Haywards Heath

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	My previous comments regarding the change of use to Padel courts still stand. The increase in traffic and parking issues are not acceptable. There are already issues with customers for the swimming pool using the private Southdowns Park car parks. Residents have been on the receiving end of abuse when pointing out that they are not allowed to park there and this would only increase.

Padel courts would almost certainly lead to the closure of the very long standing bowls club. Bowls is a quiet and very popular pass time and it would be impossible for them to carry on with the inevitable noise from the immediately adjoining courts.

Regarding the latest acoustic and lighting information, I would be very interested to know if whoever carried these out is completely independent from anyone who has an interest in this application being approved.

These latest tests cannot possibly take into account that the level of noise they detected will take place every 20 seconds for more than 8 hours a day.

Southdowns Park is a very quiet and peaceful environment and these courts would completely destroy that and inevitably affect the value of our homes.

Kind regards