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Sent: 22 June 2026 18:34
To: Caroline Grist
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/26/1315

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 22/06/2026 6:33 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Gatesmead Wickham Way Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed 49 new homes together with open space and associated infrastructure.
Case Officer:	Caroline Grist

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Customer Details

Address:	38 Gatesmead 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:	I wish to object strongly to this application. The reasons are many, but in short: - the only access route to this proposed development is through the current/extended Gatesmead. It is single track in part, and based on the evidence of the latter development using this route, safety concerns and rules are sidelined; massive construction vehicles cause fundamental damage to the roads (just take a look at the current, shocking state of the lower part of Birchen Lane before the Gatesmead entrance), and obligations delayed or ignored. - the Northern arc of Haywards Heath has already taken more than its fair share of new development. There are no signs that concomitant, and timely, increases in medical and dental services will be in place. In particular, Haywards Heath has made the national press owing to its poor resilience re water supplies (eg Ardingly reservoir). Existing problems will be exacerbated, including the safety issues associated with increased traffic trying to exit Birchen Lane onto the main road to Ardingly (Portsmouth Wood Lane), especially at peak times.

- the green spaces on this side of Haywards Heath represent a unique and important asset, with woodland, walking routes, bike ramps, and important flora, fauna, and wildlife. These have been enjoyed by generations of local residents. Equally, it is hard to understand what measures can sensibly be undertaken to reduce health-impacting noise levels in dwellings a few metres from the London-Brighton line, which also has rail traffic along the South Coast, both East and West.

This application must be rejected.

Kind regards,

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