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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 22/02/2025 3:07 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Turners Hill Road And South Of Huntsland Turners Hill Road Crawley Down West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved) for the erection of up to 200 dwellings, and associated infrastructure including new access points off of Turners Hill Road with associated spine roads and car and cycle parking; the provision of open space and associated play facilities; utilities infrastructure, surface water drainage features, and associated features, on land west of Turners Hill Road and south of Huntsland, Crawley Down, West Sussex
Case Officer:	Steven King

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Customer Details

Address: 23 Woods View Crawley Down Crawley

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I strongly object to this planning application for a multitude of different reasons.

The first reason is the lack of access to the land behind the Wychwood estate. The estate roads are narrow through out, struggling to cope with it's current traffic load now, not to mention when there is treble the traffic load when the houses are built. The estates roads are not going to be able to cope with the site traffic either (i.e heavy machinery), with residents without drives have to park cars on the roads around the estate which reduces the already limited spaced roads. There is a huge concern regarding the site traffic damaging our roads too, with the estate being designed and built to cope with low usage in mind. Lastly, the access/egress to the actual estate itself from B2028 Turners Hill Road is very difficult to get in and out of, as the mouth of the junction is very narrow, and does not allow the traffic to easily egress out of the estate, which will end up with huge traffic jams within the estate, especially in peak times. If the built goes ahead, there needs to be genuine considerations to access the land behind Wychwood via Hurst Farm or by the far end of the site further down the B2028, to keep the Wychwood estate as a separate entity and ensuring the condition/integrity of the estate isn't drastically affected. The reasons above also apply to the rest of the estates being built.

Another reason for objecting the is the environmental impact building such a large estate will cause. The entire land that is being built on is a huge attraction to natural wildlife, from herds of deer to badgers and foxes which are regularly sighted. The beautiful hedgerows and trees that populate not just the Wychwood estate, but the entirety of the land West of Turners Hill, which is what makes the area so unique. To eradicate all of these beautiful, bespoke features from our towns/villages that will be affected by this development, would be a depressing loss, as our small picturesque village slowly becomes a soulless, featureless large town.

An additional objection is the local infrastructure. There is keen advertisement of Crawley Down village being the main attraction for those moving to the potential development. This is a false promise as the village cannot cope as it is with its demand, let alone when 350+ house are built, the village will be a car park! The roads around the whole of the area are not up to standard and will not cope with the extended demand, pot holes and traffic jams are a regular site and have been the bane of everyone in the area's lives for a very long time. The Doctors surgeries cannot guarantee appointments to their current members, and are often advertising the fact that they cannot accept any more members, so how are the new residents going to get GP appointments. Even in the surgeries accept more members, that would then affect everyone else's chances of obtaining an appointment. Schools are also over subscribed too, and often have to apply for schools years in advance to even stand a chance.

Kind regards