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To: "Caroline Grist" <caroline.grist@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 03/06/2026 3:24 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:	74 Fieldway Lindfield
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	The road access to the newer existing development on Gatesmead is not suitable for extra traffic, there is a blind hill with single track access. There is not much space to reverse on either side. I feel that just about copes with the current traffic, an extra 45 houses and potentially 90+ cars it will become very dangerous. The road MUST be made into a two way road or at least eliminate the hill that makes this a blind brow of the hill situation. It is not safe or practical for anymore vehicles that currently use it. There is already a massive capacity issue that local GP surgeries.

This is actually more of a space issue than anything else, neither Lindfield Medical Centre or Newtons have any space to put any new GPs, GPs need rooms and these are already full! Attention needs to be made to infrastructure for the already struggling population. Accessing the GP is becoming increasingly difficult. Flooding - I live in Fieldway, just off By Sunte and there is already a problem with flooding from the scarse stream that runs from the Wickham way fields. With more run off (as grass soaks up water) we will see more flooding. When we moved to Fieldway in 1998 there was no flooding risk, we now have a special flood risk alert on our policy, part of our home insurance is that we sign up to the flood alerts. With climate change and more housing the flood risk increases. This is detrimental to all of us living in the area downstream.

The Wickham way fields have been used for YEARS for dog walking and access to the countryside, this right of way will disappear, the designated woodland right of way will be interrupted by a road. This right of way is used constantly daily and also by charity walks, runs and others. It's a popular walk up to Ardingly. This is a small pocket of green space used constantly by local people and it is full of local wildlife including red kites.

Kind regards