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**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 20/02/2026 1:31 PM.

### Application Summary

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| Address:      | Land At Borde Hill Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Proposal:     | Outline planning application for the erection of up to 125 dwellings, together with the provision of landscaping, open space, and associated development works, with access from Balcombe Road. All matters reserved except for access. |
| Case Officer: | Steven King                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

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### Customer Details

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| Address: | 24 Barnmead Haywards Heath |
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### Comments Details

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| Commenter Type:      | Neighbour or general public                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Stance:              | Customer objects to the Planning Application                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Reasons for comment: |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Comments:            | As per the previous Penland Road roundabout development that was rejected, a roundabout of the size proposed is totally inappropriate as the northern rural entrance to Haywards Heath, Balcombe Road is already at capacity in rush hours heading to both north and south, with no possibility to widen the road. Adding 125 houses, that due to their distance from the town centre and most amenities will have to drive everywhere, is totally impractical and will further erode the rural aspect of the town's northern end. |

All roads leading off the proposed roundabout either end in a mini roundabout or a sharp turn. It is already dangerous using the zebra crossing by Barnmead and many many times I have been ignored by drivers who are focused on speeding up or down the hill at above 30mph (the legal limit there). Increased traffic will only make this vital crossing more dangerous to use. From my experience it is purely luck, and extreme pedestrian caution, that no one has been killed or seriously injured there so far.

For the same reasons of lack of space and capacity, with speeding drivers, there is no safe way to cycle from the proposed estate to the station, town centre or leisure facilities etc. Walking to the local amenities is long, will involve crossing the road very near the southern exit of the roundabout due to the lack of pavement and suitable visibility. I would not want to do that with a pram or on a mobility scooter! There can be no practical or safe active travel plan for this site due to its location.

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Kind regards