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Sent: 22 February 2026 15:20:17 UTC+00:00
To: "Joseph Swift" <joseph.swift@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 22/02/2026 3:20 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Off West Hoathly Road East Grinstead West Sussex
Proposal:	The erection of 44 new homes with access from West Hoathly Road, vehicle and cycle parking, landscaping, drainage, and associated infrastructure and highway works.
Case Officer:	Joseph Swift

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Customer Details

Address: Hazeldene, Coombe Hill Road, Coombe Hill Road, Coombe Hill Road Coombe Hill Road East Grinstead

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I wish to submit a further objection to the proposal in addition to my previous comments, in response to the acquiescence in favour of the development by West Sussex County Council Highways Authority. It is disappointing to read that the Highways Authority sees no problem in 44 new households with all associated traffic pouring in and out the site onto this narrow stretch of road directly opposite a

nursery and a single breadth and uneven stretch of footpath that already poses a risk to pedestrians having to walk so close to passing vehicles.

The junction with Coombe Hill Road opposite the current field is close to a bend in the West Hoathly direction, and the road bends in the other direction leading towards Dunnings Mill pub. This reduces visibility for drivers using this whole section of road negotiating on-coming traffic from both directions, not helped by cars allowed to park on the side of the road next to the proposed site entrance. The scale of extra cars from a development of this size would make this rural edge of town a busy and dangerous spot for all pedestrians.

I would like to suggest that the Highways Authority revisit the location during the school and nursery run in the morning and when it is dark, to reevaluate how they consider a parent with a buggy, a walking toddler and a dog will cope with all the extra cars and delivery vans when trying to keep everyone safe on this already challenging stretch of pavement, where there is no room to pass people walking from the opposite direction. The same applies to anyone negotiating the footpath at night.

The consideration that the application would not result 'in an 'Severe' residual impact on the adjoining highway network' seems insensitive and extraordinarily out of sync with local knowledge and experience.

This stretch of road on the semi-rural outskirts of town, and in fact the whole of the winding and narrow West Hoathly Road with its soft verges and infrequent passing points in the direction of the reservoir, is not intended for this kind of largescale development and inevitable explosion in vehicles causing more logjams and wear and tear on it.

Kind regards