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Sent: 21 May 2026 10:18:05 UTC+01:00
To: "Anna Tidey" <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/26/1132

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 21/05/2026 10:18 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Parcel To The North Of Nos. 42-54 Hurst Road Hassocks West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed tractor parking area, donkey enclosure, donkey stable, 3 shepherd huts and a wildlife pond.
Case Officer:	Anna Tidey

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Customer Details

Address:	Crossways Belmont Lane Hassocks
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I would like to express my full support for planning application DM/26/1132 relating to the proposed donkey enclosure, donkey stable, shepherd huts and wildlife pond at the land north of Hurst Road, Hassocks. I believe this is exactly the kind of thoughtful and sensitive countryside project that should be encouraged. At a time when green spaces are increasingly disappearing to housing development, it is extremely reassuring to see landowners choosing instead to preserve and enhance the natural

environment for wildlife, local residents and future generations. The intention to create a wildlife habitat and area of natural beauty is admirable. The proposed pond, planting and open green space will clearly contribute positively to biodiversity and the rural character of the area, while the donkey enclosure and associated structures appear entirely in keeping with the countryside setting. Particularly impressive is the information displayed on site explaining the vision for the land. It is refreshing to see such openness and community-minded thinking. The commitment to protecting the field from development and maintaining it as an attractive green space deserves recognition and support. This proposal will help retain the character of the local landscape, protect an important open space and create environmental benefits for both wildlife and the wider community. In my opinion, this is a far more valuable and beneficial use of the land than further housing development. I strongly support this application and sincerely hope Mid Sussex District Council approves it.

Kind regards