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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Consultee Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/2474

Consultee comments

Dear Sir/Madam,

A consultee has commented on a Planning Application. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 05/11/2025 1:05 PM from . Ashurst Wood Village Council on behalf of Parish Consultation.

Application Summary

Reference:	DM/25/2474
Address:	Land South Of Hammerwood Road Ashurst Wood West Sussex
Proposal:	The erection of twelve houses, comprising 4x two bedroom houses, 4x three bedroom houses and 4x four bedroom houses, with associated access (Via Yewhurst Close) and parking
Case Officer:	Joanne Fisher

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Comments Details

Chief Planning Officer 5th November 2025
Mid Sussex District Council
Oaklands Road
Haywards Heath
West Sussex
RH19 1SS

Comments: By email.
PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Dear Sir,

I should be pleased if you would note that Ashurst Wood Village

Council have made the following comment:

DM/25/2474

Location: Land South of Hammerwood Road Ashurst Wood
Desc: The erection of twelve houses, comprising 4 x 2-bedroom houses, 4 x 3-bedroom houses & 4 x 4-bedroom houses, with associated access (via Yewhurst Close) & parking.

Recommend: No Objection in principle, subject to the clarification of the following:

- Members request a traffic report, with consideration given to possible alternative access from Hammerwood Road.
- Clarification is needed as to the number of parking spaces. The application states 34, but only 30 are shown on the plans – the other 4 are for Yewhurst Close. The Neighbourhood Plan requires 2 spaces for each of the 2- and 3-bedroom homes and 3 for the 4-bedroom homes. It appears that there will therefore be sufficient spaces but they do need to be clearly allocated.
- Who will be owning and maintaining the trees bordering the site as they are not included within the boundaries of the properties?
- Members request a condition regarding the maintenance of the tree boundary and prohibiting the use of hard fencing along Hammerwood Road
- Clarification is required on who will be managing the affordable homes: Will they be taken on by English Rural Housing as part of the Rural Exception Site or will they become part of the District's social housing stock?
- A condition is requested requiring solar panels to be installed on the properties as well as swift bricks and bat boxes.
- A detailed construction management plan is required. Members recommend that arrangements are made with the owners of the adjacent land to use it for storage and parking and to access the site during the construction phase to minimize the disruption to Yewhurst Close residents and to stop contractor parking on Hammerwood Road (which was significant during the construction of Yewhurst Close). If access to the homes is to be through Yewhurst Close, members would request that the site is blocked off from Yewhurst Close until all the houses are built, and the access road is then opened up. Deliveries during school drop off and pick up times should be kept to a minimum.

It is unfortunate that there has been no pre-application discussions with the Village Council or residents, as some of these issues could have been raised at that point.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Roberts
Clerk to the Council

Kind regards