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To: "Susan Dubberley" <susan.dubberley@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 14/08/2025 10:44 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Sussex House Perrymount Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 1DN
Proposal:	Demolition of the existing buildings and construction of a new food store (Use Class E(a)), with access, car and cycle parking, landscaping and associated works. (Amended plans received 4/08/2025 including a 'Copenhagen' crossing along the site entrance, the installation of cricket nets, amendments to the landscaping strategy and updated Retail Impact Assessment.)
Case Officer:	Susan Dubberley

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Customer Details

Address: 38, Sergison Close, Haywards Heath RH16 1HU Haywards Heath

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Whilst I regret that the opportunity to build affordable houses on this site will not be taken, a new food store will only exacerbate the considerable difficulties for pedestrians in this area of Haywards Heath (Commercial Square).

At present pedestrians use this area (and in particular the roundabout at Commercial Square) to access the railway station, the Waitrose food store, local shops and to walk under the railway bridge towards Bannister Way and Sainsburys. Little or no consideration has been given to alert or slow down motorists to the presence of pedestrians trying to cross the various road intersections at Commercial Square. Even using the traffic lights to cross the road at the railway station can be difficult. The presence of this new food store near Perrymount Road will only increase the traffic volumes.

Before construction of the new food store has been completed, traffic calming measures should be installed around Commercial Square together with appropriate road signs to alert motorists that pedestrians have the right to cross these roads.

Kind regards