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To: "Katherine Williams" <katherine.williams@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 29/05/2026 7:21 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of London Road Handcross West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application (with all matters reserved except for access) for the erection of up to 55 dwellings, including affordable homes, together with green and blue infrastructure, vehicular access from London Road, pedestrian/cycle access from London Road, the provision of utility services structures and the demolition of an existing agricultural building.
Case Officer:	Katherine Williams

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Customer Details

Address:	11 St Martin Close Handcross
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	The countryside around Handcross is not an empty or expendable space - it is a living, connected ecosystem. The fields, hedgerows and woodland edges support a rich network of wildlife, including deer, bats, nesting birds, pollinators, and protected species that rely on these habitats for movement, feeding and breeding. Building more houses here would sever these wildlife corridors,

destroy irreplaceable hedgerows and foraging grounds, and cause permanent ecological harm that cannot be mitigated once the land is lost. National planning policy requires councils to protect and enhance biodiversity, not erode it. In a village surrounded by sensitive habitats, the priority must be safeguarding the wildlife that already depends on this landscape - not pushing development into areas where nature is already under pressure.

Kind regards