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To: "Caroline Grist" <caroline.grist@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 09/06/2026 10:40 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Gatesmead Wickham Way Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed 49 new homes together with open space and associated infrastructure.
Case Officer:	Caroline Grist

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Customer Details

Address:	9 Gatesmead Haywards Heath
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I wish to object to this planning application for the following reasons. The proposed development would result in the loss of a valuable area of green space that forms an important part of the local environment. The field provides an open and attractive break between existing developments and contributes significantly to the character of the area. It is also used and appreciated by local residents for walking, recreation and enjoyment of the natural

environment. Once this green space is lost to development, it cannot be replaced, and the character of this part of Haywards Heath will be permanently altered.

I am also concerned about the impact of additional traffic on Gatesmead and Birchen Lane. These are residential roads that were not designed to accommodate the level of vehicle movements likely to be generated by a housing development of this scale. Additional traffic will increase congestion, particularly at peak times, and may create safety concerns for residents, pedestrians and cyclists using these roads.

Finally, I have serious concerns regarding the capacity of local infrastructure to support additional housing. Local GP surgeries, schools, dentists and other community services are already under considerable pressure. Residents frequently experience difficulties accessing appointments and services, and the area's infrastructure has struggled to keep pace with previous growth. I am not convinced that sufficient provision has been made to mitigate the impact of further development on these essential services.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that Mid Sussex District Council refuse this application.

Kind regards