

Stuart Malcolm

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Sent: 01 March 2026 18:06
To: Stuart Malcolm
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/26/0238

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 01/03/2026 6:05 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	LVS Hassocks London Road Sayers Common Hassocks West Sussex BN6 9HT
Proposal:	Hybrid application that seeks consent for separate and severable elements comprising: Demolition of all existing buildings bar the chapel, to retained for use within Use Class F and: a) Full planning permission for the development of the north western part of the Land at LVS Hassocks so as to accommodate a new SEN School with associated access from London Road, car parking, landscaping and drainage works; and b) Outline planning permission (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale Reserved) for the development of the rest of the land at LVS Hassocks so as to accommodate up to 210 dwellinghouses (including 30% affordable housing) with associated access, car parking, landscaping, play areas, informal outdoor space and drainage works
Case Officer:	Stuart Malcolm

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Customer Details

Address:	
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I object to the planning application DM/26/0238 for LVS Hassocks London Road Sayers Common Hassocks West Sussex BN6 9HT. My reasons for objecting are the impact on wildlife (including nesting birds that are protected), the potential for school traffic to become a more material issue, an increased risk of flooding and the general loss of green space in the area. More details below: 1. Impact on wildlife:

Red Kites nest on the proposed area for development, which are a protected species under Schedule 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, meaning appropriate ecological surveys would need to be undertaken before any plans are implemented. We frequently see deer in the fields behind us; this latest development would see further loss of the land upon which they can roam.

2. Traffic.

Adding 210 houses to an area that is particularly susceptible to traffic at school opening and closing times will only exacerbate the existing problems. I do not believe the detailed plans provided are sufficient to mitigate.

3. Flooding.

The housing is planned for construction on a slope, at the foot of which there is already two streams and an attenuation pond (at the junction of Nuthatch Lane and Nightingale Lane). Building lots of houses in the proposed area without material upgrades to the drainage and sewage systems (nothing sufficiently material is proposed) will serve to exacerbate the risk of flooding.

4. Loss of green space.

There are lots of plans to increase housing stock in Sayers Common and Albourne. The area covered by this plan represents one of the few areas that remained untouched as a green space.

Kind regards