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Sent: 14 February 2026 19:36
To: Steven King
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/25/3129

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 14/02/2026 7:36 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Borde Hill Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application for the erection of up to 125 dwellings, together with the provision of landscaping, open space, and associated development works, with access from Balcombe Road. All matters reserved except for access.
Case Officer:	Steven King

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Customer Details

Address:	55 Penland Road Haywards Heath 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:	Dear Planning Officer, I am writing to formally object to the planning application for the proposed development of 65+ residential properties at Sugworth Farm, on the edge of Haywards Heath. My objection is based on the following material planning considerations: Impact on Natural Beauty and Landscape Character Sugworth Farm forms an important part of the rural setting and natural approach to Haywards Heath. The proposed scale and density of development would result in a significant and irreversible loss of open countryside, fundamentally altering the character of this area. The development would transform what is currently a green and attractive entrance to the town into an urbanised landscape, causing harm to local visual amenity. Loss of Habitat and Biodiversity The site supports wildlife habitats that contribute to local biodiversity. Development on this land would lead to habitat loss and fragmentation, negatively impacting flora and fauna. This runs
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counter to the need to protect and enhance biodiversity and conflicts with principles of sustainable development.

Traffic and Access Concerns

The proposed development would significantly increase traffic movements in and around the site. This area already experiences congestion, particularly at peak times. Additional traffic would exacerbate these problems, negatively affecting road safety, air quality, and the overall quality of life for existing residents.

Impact on Natural Resources, Particularly Water

There are serious concerns regarding the sustainability of water supply in the area. Increased demand from a large residential development would place additional pressure on already stretched water resources, especially given wider regional concerns about water availability and infrastructure capacity.

Pressure on Local Services and Infrastructure

Local services, including healthcare, education, and public transport, are already under strain. The proposal does not demonstrate how existing infrastructure would be adequately supported or expanded to meet the needs of a substantial increase in population.

For the reasons outlined above, I believe this proposal represents overdevelopment of a sensitive site and fails to demonstrate that it would be environmentally or socially sustainable. I therefore urge the planning authority to refuse this application.

Thank you for considering my comments. I request that this objection be fully taken into account in the determination of the application.

Yours faithfully,



Kind regards