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To: "Deborah Lynn" <deborah.lynn@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 06/05/2026 9:04 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	101 South Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 4LR
Proposal:	Installation of new shopfront signage (illuminated fascia and vinyl sign).
Case Officer:	Deborah Lynn

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Customer Details

Address:	56 Haywards Road 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 strongly object to the above retrospective planning application. The illuminated yellow signage is visually dominant and not in keeping with the other shop fronts on South Road. The bright illumination will cause light intrusion, particularly during evening and late-night hours, and sets an undesirable precedent for signage standards in the area. The proposed opening hours are excessive and out of character for South Road, where no other businesses operate that late at

night. A closing time of midnight, extending to 1am on Saturdays, is likely to generate antisocial behaviour, noise disturbance, and littering in an area that is otherwise quiet at that time of night. The proximity of the premises to the park is also a particular concern, as it provides an obvious gathering point for late-night customers.

There is already a vape shop operating two doors down from these premises. There is no need for a second such business in such close proximity, and the proposed change of use therefore offers no benefit to the local community. The sale of energy drinks alongside vaping products, combined with the extended opening hours, risks attracting gatherings of young people late into the night in an area adjacent to a public park.

Kind regards