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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 September 2026 17:39
To: planninginfo
Subject: Formal objection to DM/26/2178 - land between 149 and 161 college lane, Hurstpierpoint

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am objecting to the above planning proposal for a number of reasons, and would like you address each point individually.

Sit1. **1. Loss of High Quality Agricultural land**

This land is productive for grazing livestock, this development will contribute to or be directly responsible for loss of high quality or sustainable agricultural land.

2. Harm to Rural Character and Openness

six houses will have or contribute to an urbanisation on what is currently an open, rural landscape, this represents an inappropriate / unacceptable encroachment into the open countryside, disrupting traditional field boundaries and rural amenities.

3. Outside the settlement boundaries

local councils, including Mid Sussex, have strict boundaries where new housing can be permitted. This is probably the most important reason for objection. This lies outside the village boundary, and future residents will rely entirely on private cars to reach basic services, snarling up even further the serious College lane pinch point, which is already beyond capacity.

I have been made aware that the planning application has not been 'called in', which could mean it will not be discussed at all at the planning meeting and the application waved through. The called in aspect as I understand it, is mandatory for applications over 5 houses. As this is 7 houses this should be

thoroughly scrutinised and comprehensively considered. If this is not being carried out, it may be that government rules and procedure are being overlooked.

In summary

This planning application is not a sound allocation, it is not justified, not effective, and not consistent with national policy, and its cumulative highway, sustainability and infrastructure effects have not been assessed, or been 'called in'