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To: "Katherine Williams" <katherine.williams@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/1593

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 03/08/2025 7:44 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Woodlands Close And Land To The North Of Burleigh Lane Crawley Down Crawley West Sussex RH10 4JZ
Proposal:	The demolition of numbers 9-11 Woodlands Close together with the demolition of other existing buildings on site and erection of 48 dwellings (Use Class C3) with open space, landscaping, car parking and associated infrastructure including provision of internal access roads and access road onto Woodlands Close.
Case Officer:	Katherine Williams

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Customer Details

Address:	Old Forge Cottage Sandy Lane Crawley Down
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Dear Ms Williams, I am writing to object to Planning Application DM/25/1593 concerning the proposed development of 48 to 50 houses via Woodlands Close. While I appreciate the demand for new housing, I believe this proposal is inappropriate for the area and

will negatively affect the local community in a number of ways:

1. Overdevelopment and Infrastructure Strain:

The scale of the proposed development is disproportionate to the size and character of the area. It represents overdevelopment and places excessive pressure on already stretched local services such as schools, healthcare facilities, drainage systems, and utilities. Without substantial investment in infrastructure, the area simply cannot support such a large increase in population.

2. Environmental and Ecological Impact:

This development would severely disrupt local green spaces and natural habitats. The area plays an important role in supporting biodiversity and provides a valued natural setting for residents. Losing this to housing not only impacts wildlife but also diminishes the character and environmental health of the community.

3. Traffic and Congestion Issues:

A development of this size would lead to a significant rise in vehicle traffic, particularly through Woodlands Close and its junction with Kiln Road. These roads were not designed for such volumes, and the resulting congestion would be a major concern for both residents and road users.

4. Risks to Pedestrian Safety:

Increased traffic will inevitably raise the risk to pedestrians, especially vulnerable groups such as children and older people. The area lacks sufficient crossings and traffic-calming measures, making it increasingly hazardous for those on foot.

5. Road Safety Concerns:

Beyond general pedestrian risk, the existing road layout is ill-equipped to safely manage the additional traffic the development would bring. This increases the likelihood of accidents and makes everyday use of these roads more dangerous for all.

Given the above concerns, I respectfully urge the council to reject this planning application in order to protect the well-being, safety, and character of the local area.

Kind regards