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To: "Katherine Williams" <katherine.williams@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/3155

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 09/01/2026 4:40 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Havens Sportsfield Car Park The Haven Centre Hophurst Lane Crawley Down West Sussex
Proposal:	New/Replacement Village Hall.
Case Officer:	Katherine Williams

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Customer Details

Address:	Ballards, Hophurst 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:	I object to this application for the following reasons: - The application is not complete. I still cannot see a site plan, so I cannot determine how close it is to my neighbouring property. I cannot see which trees are going to be cut down and I cannot see where the new trees are due to be planted. This will have a significant impact on my property and boundaries. - There has been no assessment of the impact on trees in the past 6 years, since 2019. Surely in that time there would have been some movement; this has not been factored into the new design.

- The biodiversity report states there will be a net loss. This is not acceptable.
- There has been no assessment of the impact of traffic on neighbouring properties.
- The height of the proposed building is unnecessary. This will result in light pollution throughout the day and night into a neighbouring bedroom. The reason that it is for badminton does not adequately support the inconvenience to the neighbouring property. There is no evidence that a badminton court is required in the village. There are already facilities for this close by.
- There has been no discussion with the neighbours for this new application (or previous one). This is unneighbourly.
- There are already two community centres on the same stretch of road. It is inconceivable that the village can support a third.
- There has been no assessment of the impact of traffic on neighbouring properties.
- There is no clear demand for a new village hall; the old village hall has been closed for some time and there does not appear to be an issue with capacity as we have two other halls. Why can't the money be spent on the Haven centre. Why can't the village have a say in what happens to their own village hall?
- There is a concern around the availability of money to build the new village hall. At the last AGM, in particular, there were several concerns raised by residents that the chairperson of the trustees was going to investigate the next day. This was in April. I have not heard anything since. There is therefore a concern that there may not be enough funds to complete the project, which would leave a monstrous building site after trees have been cut down. This would not be good for anyone.

Many thanks

Kind regards