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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/0589

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 31/03/2025 4:13 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land North Of Leylands Road Burgess Hill West Sussex
Proposal:	The installation of 1 No. 30 metre high lattice tower mounted with 9 No. antennas, 12 No. cabinets, within a compound comprised of 2.4 metre high palisade fencing painted green, 1 No. electrical metre cabinet and associated development thereto.
Case Officer:	Hamish Evans

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Customer Details

Address:	21 Chestnut Close Burgess Hill
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	There are bats roosting on the railway land whose radar would be disrupted by the mast meaning they would starve and die out. The land is also on the migratory route for geese who fly over in formation every September. The works would endanger local stag beetle colonies and great crested newts amongst other endangered/ protected species we know have been found living on the land. If a wildlife survey were commissioned this time of year the bats would not yet be feeding in great numbers & some

types of bats would still be hibernating therefore the planning application (which we were not notified of at all officially at our address) is timed for when any wildlife survey would not reflect the true wealth of wildlife species on the railway land.

NB : it takes 15 days to commission such a survey to ensure no protected species are affected by a planning application, if one hasn't been commissioned by the council- then why not? And if it was commissioned /completed earlier than mid April, as I said before it would not reflect the full amount and type of flora, insects / due to the cold/hibernation period. I suspect the timing of this application is deliberate so as to negate this evidence being collected & considered.

Kind regards