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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/1526

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 24/06/2025 11:58 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Finches Corner Hickmans Lane Lindfield Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 2NZ
Proposal:	Demolition of existing garage with erection of replacement annexe.
Case Officer:	Stefan Galyas

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Customer Details

Address:	NAPC Watermoor Point Cirencester
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Regarding the planning application DM/25/1526 for the demolition of the existing garage and erection of a replacement annexe at Finches Corner, Hickmans Lane, Lindfield, Haywards Heath, West Sussex RH16 2NZ, the National Annexe Planning Consultancy (NAPC) wishes to express its support for this proposal. The proposed annexe aligns with NAPC's national position that ancillary and modular developments make efficient use of existing residential plots. Such developments support flexible living arrangements, including multigenerational living, and provide a

sustainable response to housing and care pressures without necessitating large-scale new development. The replacement annexe, being ancillary to the main dwelling, reinforces the efficient use of space and resources, which is a core principle of our advocacy.

In reviewing the proposal, it is important to consider planning aspects such as the scale and layout of the annexe, ensuring it remains subordinate to the main dwelling and does not risk separation. The access arrangements should also be carefully planned to maintain the integrity and privacy of the primary residence. We encourage the applicant to contact NAPC for expert advice on ensuring compliance with relevant policies and achieving long-term peace of mind. Our expertise can provide valuable insights into maintaining the ancillary nature of the development and addressing any planning concerns.

We also encourage Mid Sussex Council to consider the inclusion of supportive annexe policies in future iterations of their local plan. The positive impact of ancillary accommodation is evident in regions such as Ireland and California, where it has significantly contributed to alleviating housing pressures. By adopting similar supportive policies, the council can facilitate sustainable development and enhance the flexibility of living arrangements within the community.

For further information and support, please visit our website at <https://napc.uk/annexe-support/>. We look forward to seeing this proposal contribute positively to the local housing landscape.

Kind regards