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To: "Joseph Swift" <joseph.swift@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
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Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 10/08/2026 10:10 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Off West Hoathly Road East Grinstead West Sussex
Proposal:	The erection of 42 new homes with access from West Hoathly Road, vehicle and cycle parking, landscaping, drainage, and associated infrastructure and highway works (Amended plans received).
Case Officer:	Joseph Swift

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Customer Details

Address:	The Croft West Hoathly Road East Grinstead
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I am writing to formally register my objection to the proposed large-scale development on West Hoathly Road, and express my concerns about safety and the environmental impact. The proposed development lies within the High Weald Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and does nothing to protect or enhance it. The scale and density of the proposals are totally out of keeping with the rural nature of the environment.

The location of the development will increase already significant safety risks. The road the development will access is a narrow country lane not designed for such an increase in traffic. I have particular concerns for pedestrians and cyclists since the pavements are either absent or very narrow. The road is already quite difficult for motorists, very narrow in places with high rocks on both sides. Those using the nursery and the farm school will be placed at an increased and unacceptable risk from the increase in traffic.

The development will result in the Irreversible loss of long established and valuable habitat, hedgerows and woodland, which is unacceptable in an AONB. This is greenfield land that supports local wildlife and biodiversity. Increased water run-off will compound the loss of drainage.

The council has previously refused smaller developments than this within the High Weald AONB and for good environmental, safety and infrastructure reasons. I urge the council to reject this proposal and protect the AONB.

Kind regards