

Steve Ashdown

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Sent: 20 June 2025 12:20
To: Steve Ashdown
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/23/2867

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 20/06/2025 12:20 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land East Of Ansty Way Cuckfield Bypass Cuckfield West Sussex
Proposal:	Change of use of farmland and woodland to parkland reserve to include public access and instigation of long-term management and rewilding regime, including establishment of pedestrian and cycle tracks, with new pedestrian and cycle access points off Cuckfield Road to the south and Staplefield Road to the north. Proposals to include the addition of two wooden viewing platforms and two hides. Sports pitches at Beech Farm Field to remain in sports use. (Additional information and amended plans received 27th May 2025).
Case Officer:	Stephen Ashdown

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Customer Details

Address:	Littlebury House Copyhold Lane Cuckfield
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Country Park or Parkland Reserve To create a Parkland Reserve on the site proposed by Fairfax is not credible. The rewilding of the Knepp Castle estate is only possible owing to the biodiversity of its 3,500-acre site. The biodiversity of Knepp Castle has taken years to develop with the introduction of storks, beavers, an old breed of longhorn cattle, to name but a few. The site proposed by Fairfax is far too small to contain or sustain such biodiversity with the introduction of wild creatures and animal stock. The proposal contains no answers to who will manage the reserve, how will it be funded, will rewilding grants be available and will this be compatible with the general recreational facility

proposed?

I strongly object to the Fairfax proposals.

Kind regards