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To: "Andy Watt" <andy.watt@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 15/09/2025 11:19 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Prince Albert Copthorne Bank Copthorne Crawley West Sussex RH10 3QX
Proposal:	Sever existing land to retain existing public house use and area of pub garden and erect a convenience store and 4 no. apartments with associated works, including alterations to the existing vehicular access and car park (Amended plans and retail justification received 1 May 2025) (Updated drainage, ecology and landscaping information received 26 June 2025) (Off-site highways works plan received 9 September 2025)
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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Customer Details

Address: 16 The Meadow Copthorne Crawley

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	As per my last submission, this application is wholly unacceptable, implausible and undermines the purpose of the local amenity of the pub. The junction on which the proposed development is to take place is already busy and can be dangerous with cars

parking for the already established convenience store, to which the newly proposed convenience store will open just 100 yards away from.

The increased traffic that this will cause will be detrimental to the village, and the impact of a 4th shop in such a small vicinity will impact local businesses.

Residential building will overlook other established residences, and overall add to the already overly built up area.

There is green field space on the adjacent Heathy Wood estate, wherein the residents were promised a local shop (amongst other amenities), of which none have materialised. Heathy Wood for all intents and purposes is a separate adjoining development. Copthorne main village does not need another shop, we do not need more homes built. The adjoining portion of our village does need a shop, and there is space for additional residential properties.

The current ownership of the pub has purposefully driven down the quality of the Prince Albert with the intent of making a profit from the land and it is unacceptable to the residents of this village who view it (albeit in need of some investment to bring it to its proper glory), as a vital part to retaining village atmosphere.

Additional convenience stores, yet more traffic and poor parking allocation, and additional homes crammed into space that was not designed to hold it will negatively impact the residents of Copthorne, both out enjoyment of the area, as well as the value of our homes.

Kind regards