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To: "Caroline Grist" <caroline.grist@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/26/1315

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 06/06/2026 2:46 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of Gatesmead Wickham Way Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	Proposed 49 new homes together with open space and associated infrastructure.
Case Officer:	Caroline Grist

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Customer Details

Address:	7 Brick 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:	I am writing to formally object to application DM/26/1315 and request that it be refused. I have walked across Wickham Fields regularly with my dog and have done for years. This is not an abstract patch of land, it is somewhere that families, dog walkers, and local residents use daily. It is one of the few remaining pieces of open countryside within easy reach of Haywards Heath, and once it is built on, it is gone permanently.

Beyond its value to residents, protected species have been recorded on site including black redstart (Schedule 1, fewer than 100 UK breeding pairs) and slow worm. The presence of buzzards, sparrowhawks and red kites points to a genuinely functioning habitat.

Local GP services, schools, and drainage are already under strain. This application does not demonstrate that 49 additional homes can be absorbed without making things worse for people already here.

Kind regards