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To: "Caroline Grist" <caroline.grist@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 03/06/2026 11:56 AM.

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:	Formerly 47 Gatesmead Haywards Heath
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	49 new houses could mean as many as 80-100 additional cars using Gatesmead, a quiet residential area with only one access point. And the access to the proposed site, Wickham Field, is via a wooded area well used by dog walkers, residents of the surrounding area and commuters for the station, as well as for pleasure purposes. It will make a busy entrance and exit into the new part of Gatesmead where there are many children living, posing possible dangers for residents and their families. There is insufficient infrastructure to support the new

development, with GP surgeries in the area already overloaded, schools bursting at the seams and utilities in great demand.

Wickham Field itself is a lovely open space for walks and recreation, used by a wide range of wildlife, some rarely seen elsewhere. It is a favourite area for walks and recreation, with 2 listed properties in the vicinity.

We all need green spaces and nature for us to catch our breath and relax and improve mental health. There must be more suitable sites for development which could really be improved by becoming small residential areas instead of building on somewhere which is already lovely and not in need of development. Build on brown sites by all means, but leave our pockets of nature alone.

Kind regards