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To: "Joanne Fisher" <joanne.fisher@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 18/12/2025 9:51 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The West Of Courthouse Farm Copthorne Common Copthorne West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application for the erection of residential dwellings (Use Class C3), including associated parking, outdoor amenity space, landscaping and drainage, with all matters reserved except for the new access proposed from Copthorne Common Road.
Case Officer:	Joanne Fisher

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Customer Details

Address:	Apple Tree Cottage Borers Arms Road Copthorne
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
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Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
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Reasons for comment:

Comments: We wish to register objection to this Planning Application. We have lived in Copthorne for 50 years, our children were brought up here and went to school here. WE moved here because it was a quiet village with lots of green spaces. Over the last few years the village is in danger of losing its identity with all the new estates that have been built, for example Lashmere and most recently Heathy Wood. A few years ago the people in the village were ask for their views for development and the vast majority said that they did not want large developments, only infill. Despite this we are still getting large developments with more proposed. As a members of Copthorne Archive Project I have copies of many photos and documents showing how the village used to be. We have now reached the stage where with the number of new houses being built the village infrastructure can no longer cope. The doctors are full, the schools full, there is no dentist in the village, we only have 6 or so shops, 3 of which are general stores selling virtually the same items. Our village roads are jam packed at certain times of the day and the village is used as a cut through to the M25, Gatwick, Crawley etc. We see that for these proposed 86 new houses off the A264 a new entrance is proposed. The Copthorne Common Road is already a fast flowing road most of the day, impossible to cross at certain times and a new entrance would back up traffic and definately likely to cause accidents. We know that other potential developments which come out onto the A 264 have been denied for the reason mentioned. These 86houses will be outside the village, not in keeping with the rural area and will bring no value to the village. Pollution will be increased and frankly the density of proposed houses and flats is too large and I doubt that will be truly affordable for young people as stated. Living in Borers Arms Road it is impossible now to turn left out onto the A264 and turning right you can right at least 5 minutes or so. 86 new houses is going to mean at least around 180 additional cars on the roads and the A264
Regards

Kind regards