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To: "Katherine Williams" <katherine.williams@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 29/05/2026 2:54 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land West Of London Road Handcross West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application (with all matters reserved except for access) for the erection of up to 55 dwellings, including affordable homes, together with green and blue infrastructure, vehicular access from London Road, pedestrian/cycle access from London Road, the provision of utility services structures and the demolition of an existing agricultural building.
Case Officer:	Katherine Williams

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Customer Details

Address:	Casterbridge High Street Handcross
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	While I completely understand the need for more housing, it must be built in a suitable area which Handcross is not. For Handcross to become a viable option the council must address the woefully inadequate public services and infrastructure that Handcross and the surrounding villages already suffer.

The local primary school is already over subscribed.

The bus services through the village are inadequate, do not link the area in any useful way, and although some recent improvements, still are not fit for the area they serve.

Water system in the village and surrounding area is not suitable for the homes that are here already, this has been proven over and over again, making national news on more than 1 occasion.

Electrical power throughout the local villages is also an issue, most residents suffer multiple power cuts a week, and while they may not last long, more houses would cause a drain on this already stretched infrastructure.

Internet services are terrible, most residents struggle to achieve even the basic speeds so surely upgrading should be a priority before extending.

Roadways in the area are also substandard, pot holes are a huge issue, as is the fact that Handcross and Pease Pottage become a motorway spill off as soon as there is an issue.

If there were serious upgrades and modernisation of the infrastructure to the entire Slaugham Parish, then possibly some areas would become suitable for development.
Until then it is both greedy and irresponsible to even consider any of the proposals in the Slaugham Parish.

Kind regards