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To: "Stefan Galyas" <stefan.galyas@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/1185

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 05/09/2025 2:14 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Tennis Courts At St Francis Sports And Social Club Colwell Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 4EZ
Proposal:	Temporary (36 months) permission for change of use of existing tennis courts to padel courts and associated works (Acoustic report received 21.08.2025)
Case Officer:	Stefan Galyas

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Customer Details

Address: 5 Blenheim Mews Southdowns Park Haywards Heath

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I wish to object to DM/25/1185 padel Courts Hurstwood Padel As a tennis player I realise the benefits of padel as another sport to play. However, the noise levels are much greater and continuous. There will not be 5minute intervals between games. What ever is requested. I do not live on the south side of Southdowns park but this is where our beautiful gardens are located and are used for sitting

in, reading, chatting with neighbours and friends. This will be disrupted and spoil our free time and relaxing potential. So important for mental health in this day and age.

I do not believe the noise report has been completed sufficiently well and a further set of levels should be undertaken at one of the new centres built ie Haywards Heath Rugby club to see how far noise levels travel. This is a good facility away from large residential areas.

This development at Hurstwood should be done below the football pitches with access from the bypass.

Our PRIVATE road which is paid for by the residents is suffering greatly from traffic and could be very unsafe. We are unable to have a gated entrance due to EMERGENCY access for the hospital required but it is obvious to all the residents here that many staff and visitors to the hospital and users of the swimming pool and football pitches enter our property by the entrance off Colwell Road and don't drive through the hospital one way system to get to hospital parking and the leisure facilities. This will also get more unsafe for patients and visitors.

If more leisure facilities are required at this end of the town, which is probably correct, then the council should be making provision for better access from the bypass , use the areas near the road for development and leave us in peace to enjoy our homes and outdoor space. We have significantly more vandalism and unsocial behaviour here in the last few years and I can only think this may increase more.

Kind regards