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Sent: 25 January 2026 21:12:00 UTC+00:00
To: "Anna Tidey" <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/3176

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 25/01/2026 9:11 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Adj To The Meadows Little Park Farm Marchants Close Hurstpierpoint Hassocks West Sussex BN6 9UZ
Proposal:	Proposed dwelling, detached three bedroom chalet bungalow. Supporting Arboricultural Report, Arboricultural Assessment and Outline Method Statement and Tree Layout Plan received on 20.01.2026.
Case Officer:	Anna Tidey

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Customer Details

Address: The Old Dairy, Little Park Farm Marchants Close Hurstpierpoint

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	<p>I am writing to formally object to the planning application seeking permission for an additional residential property within the curtilage of The Meadows, described as being within a farmyard setting.</p> <p>Having reviewed the proposal, I am aghast that planning permission for an additional dwelling on this site is even being</p>

considered. Both The Old Dairy and The Meadows have previously had permitted development rights removed, which clearly indicates an established planning intention to restrict further residential development on this land. It is therefore deeply concerning that approval is now being contemplated within the plot of The Meadows itself.

The proposal for this additional property appears to be an afterthought rather than part of a coherent or well-considered development strategy. It does not arise from any genuine agricultural or functional need and appears to represent an opportunistic attempt to intensify residential use of the site, contrary to previous planning decisions and the established character of the area.

The proposal would require the subdivision of the garden of The Meadows into two separate plots. This would necessitate the removal of the existing hedgerow, which forms an important and established boundary feature. The removal of this hedgerow would be contrary to principles of good planning, harmful to the rural character of the area, and detrimental to local biodiversity.

Furthermore, the land on which this dwelling is proposed should remain as a paddock serving The Meadows. It was never intended to function as a separate residential plot. The character and function of this land are being fundamentally altered in a way that is wholly inappropriate for its setting. There should also be a planted orchard within this plot, consistent with its historic and rural use, rather than the introduction of additional housing.

Allowing this development would set an undesirable precedent for further incremental development within protected rural plots where development rights have already been explicitly removed. It would undermine previous planning decisions and erode the established rural and agricultural character of the area.

For the reasons outlined above, I strongly urge the planning authority to refuse this application.

Yours faithfully,
Sarah Hinken

Kind regards