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To: "Rachel Richardson" <rachel.richardson@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 23/01/2026 11:44 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land To The South Of Burleigh Lane Crawley Down West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved except for access from Burleigh Lane, for the erection of up to eight self-build/custom build dwellings, drainage and ancillary works.
Case Officer:	Rachel Richardson

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Customer Details

Address:	Grange Park Cottage Sandhill Lane Crawley Down
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	<p>I strongly object to this application.</p> <p>Sandhill Lane and Burleigh Lane are part of the Sussex Border Path and are single track with no passing points. This means cars/vans/lorries regularly have to pull over into the start of people's drives to let another pass. My own drive has been worn due to such activity and I even have vehicles coming right into the drive to turn around!</p>

Following COVID there has been a significant increase in delivery vans through the increase in supermarket home deliveries and internet shopping with the likes of Amazon. Also over recent years there have been a number of new houses built in Sandhill Lane which has meant we have already suffered an increase in lorries causing traffic issues and causing significant damage to the lane. Another 8 independent houses being built over different timescales and likely using a multiple of suppliers and contractors will exacerbate the problems.

In addition to the above both lanes can be quite dangerous to pedestrians, dog walkers, cyclists and the horses that use them. Footfall has already increased a lot since the opening of a footpath from the Burleigh Wood development a few years ago.

As mentioned the lanes form part of the Sussex Border Path leading to open fields and lakes for walkers to access. Quite young children are often running ahead which of course is very dangerous particularly as speeding delivery drivers are not uncommon.

Schools use the lanes as part of the route for the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme with large groups of school children meandering down the lane, stopping occasionally to consult their maps.

The proposed development would have a negative affect on the rural green nature of the area on the north side of Burleigh Lane, and I understand does not comply with the Crawley Down Neighbourhood Plan which is still in existence. Burleigh Lane is the demarcation between the urbanised side of the Lane and the rural side.

If this application is passed it will have a negative and dangerous impact on the lanes for a number of years as the houses are developed. Once occupied there will be a general increase in most of the negatives highlighted above. Also, with the schools and doctors already operating at capacity and the other large scale housing developments around the village is there really a need for these 8 houses.

Kind regards