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**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 24/01/2026 12:42 PM.

### 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:	Heatherbank 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 for the following reasons:</p> <p>1) The only access to the site is via Sandhill Lane and Burleigh lane. These lanes have been constructed and maintained to a standard suitable for light domestic use. They are insufficiently robust to withstand heavy construction traffic, which will be in multiple numbers whilst the 8 houses are being constructed.</p> <p>2) These lanes are single track lanes that provide walkers access to the Sussex Border Path and horse riders to the bridleways</p>

nearby. There are no adequate passing places in the lanes other than the driveways of resident's private property. Large scale construction presents a high risk of injury to walkers and horses using the lanes and unacceptable congestion for residents for which there is no solution.

3) This application proposes 8 individual houses on the south side of Burleigh Lane which is not currently built up, and it currently provides a rural strip of land separating the urban sprawl of Crawley Down and already existing plans to build off Turners Hill Road. Furthermore, I understand this development does not form part of the current plans under the Crawley Down Neighbourhood Plan and therefore I would ask that it be rejected on the basis that it is not in accordance with current planning projections.

4) There are plans already to build significant numbers of houses in the location with granted permission to build circa 50 houses or more up to the North side of Burleigh Lane, and 300 plus houses at Huntland farm. However, even before these are built, roads leading out of the village are already heavily congested at peak times, it is very difficult to obtain doctors, or dentist appointments and the local school is at capacity. When is "enough is enough!"

5) The precedent set by allowing these 8 houses to be built on the south side of Burleigh lane will open up that area for further development which is unsustainable from an environmental and rural amenity perspective. I am looking to the planning office to ensure that unbridled urbanisation of our rural community is prevented and that it is recognised that these 8 houses are not in keeping with the community plan and their development would place unacceptable impact on the existing residents and infrastructure of Sandhill and Burleigh lanes.

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Kind regards