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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 13/03/2026 3:40 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Glebelands Field Lodge Lane Bolney West Sussex
Proposal:	A phased development of up to 9 self build dwellings.
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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Customer Details

Address:	The Thatched House The Street Bolney Haywards Heath West Sussex
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I am writing to strongly object to the above development on the following grounds: I understand that under Mid Sussex DP6, the land in question is outside the village boundary and therefore is treated as countryside. As a result, I further understand that this raises issues with it's criteria and suitability to be developed. This piece of land was previously assessed for development by MSCC as part of the local village plan and was found to be

unsuitable under Section 2C.

In the intervening period since then nothing has changed which would alter that original decision.

This site is a field that is currently in use as an agricultural land with no buildings on it and as such should be treated purely as 'Green belt' countryside.

In conjunction with it being outside what is deemed to be the village boundary, this makes it an unsuitable area for development.

The access to the proposed site is via Lodge Lane which itself is a narrow and winding single rural road which is totally unsuited to either high density or heavy traffic needing access.

Lodge Lane itself is a prominent route for pedestrians, runners, cyclists and horse-riders to access the wider countryside as there is limited access to the roads adjoining the east.

Furthermore Cross Colwood and Foxhole Lanes on the access route to Lodge Lane are narrow rural roads which are also unsuited to this development.

The land proposed for this development borders several listed houses of significant historic heritage to Bolney along with a conservation area.

This development would put those at risk and would alter the character of the village dramatically.

Further more, the outlook and setting from the affected listed properties is towards open fields, allowing this development would alter not only that outlook but would alter the character settings of the properties and from the footpath that goes along the top of the field.

The proposed site is regularly water logged even after brief periods of rain. This has increased over the years due to rainwater run off from homes recently built north of the proposed site, therefore the land is unsuitable for building on without significant engineering just to deal with the drainage issues.

This would cause significant disruption to the area which is unsuited for the access of both heavy machinery and equipment.

I notice that there is no information from SE Water available on supply issues.(Details were incorrectly sent to Southern Water). As we are at the top of the street and at the highest end of the village, in times of drought which happens increasingly we are regularly without water for several days. This has happened every year for the last 4 years. Adding another 9 houses and potentially more if further applications for the site are accepted would only exacerbate this along with other 200 homes on Foxhole farm that are about to be built. This needs to be a genuine concern water is a basic requirement for public health.

For all these reasons I believe strongly that the application should

be refused.

Kind regards