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Subject: Objection to Planning Application DM/25/3129 – Land at Borde Hill Lane, Haywards Heath

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your letter dated 15 June 2026 regarding the revised planning application for the above site.

Having reviewed the updated documents and proposed amendments, I do not believe the revisions address the core concerns previously raised. I therefore wish to maintain my strong objection to the application.

My objections are based on the following planning considerations:

1. Traffic and Highway Concerns

The development would introduce a substantial increase in vehicle movements on Balcombe Road and nearby routes, which already experience congestion and pressure at peak times. I remain concerned that the proposed access arrangements and alterations to the roundabout are not sufficient to deal safely or effectively with the additional traffic generated.

2. Pressure on Local Services and Infrastructure

A development of this scale would place further strain on local infrastructure, including GP surgeries, schools, drainage networks and public transport services. The application does not provide adequate reassurance that existing facilities have the capacity to accommodate the additional demand.

3. Impact on the Character of the Area

The site currently forms part of the open edge and rural setting of Haywards Heath. Developing this land would erode the character of the area and lead to further urbanisation, negatively affecting the surrounding landscape and local views.

4. Environmental and Ecological Impact

I remain concerned about the potential impact on wildlife habitats, biodiversity and the wider environment. The mitigation measures outlined within the application do not appear sufficient to offset the long-term environmental impact of a development of this size.

5. Scale and Density of Development

In my view, the proposal represents an overdevelopment of the site. The density and scale of housing proposed are out of keeping with the surrounding area and would adversely affect the character and appearance of the locality.

6. Drainage and Flooding Issues

There are also unresolved concerns regarding surface water drainage and flood risk, particularly given existing local drainage issues in the area. The application does not clearly demonstrate that these risks can be properly mitigated.

For the reasons set out above, I respectfully request that Mid Sussex District Council refuse planning permission for application DM/25/3129.

Yours faithfully,

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