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To: "Steven King" <steven.king@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 07/05/2026 10:06 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land At Borde Hill Lane Haywards Heath West Sussex
Proposal:	Outline planning application for the erection of up to 117 dwellings, together with the provision of landscaping, open space, and associated development works, with access from Balcombe Road. All matters reserved except for access. (Amended plans and supporting statements received 15th April reducing the number of proposed dwellings to up 117 and reducing the size of the proposed roundabout).
Case Officer:	Steven King

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Customer Details

Address: 3 Callender Walk Cuckfield

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I live locally and have concerns about the scale and impact of this proposal. I understand the developers have made some minor amendments, but from what I can see these don't address the fundamental problems with this development. 117 homes is nearly double what the council's own draft plan

suggested was appropriate for this site. The independent landscape assessment found that even half that number would cause serious harm to the High Weald National Landscape, so I don't understand how nearly double that figure is now being put forward as acceptable.

The local infrastructure simply isn't able to cope as well. Schools are already full and the roads around Borde Hill Lane and Balcombe Road are already busy and difficult, and have got worse recently. Flooding has got noticeably worse since Penland Green was built. Adding even more homes with all the extra traffic, drainage and demand that brings seems like it will make all of these problems significantly worse.

I also care about this area as a piece of nature. There is protected wildlife on this site, including dormice and bats, which will be disrupted or displaced. The land sits next to ancient woodland, and is part of the High Weald. The rural character of this part of Sussex is something that once lost, won't come back.

I understand this is an outline application, and that if approved it becomes very hard to stop later. That makes it even more important that these concerns are properly addressed now, not deferred.

I urge the council to refuse this application.

Kind regards