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To: "Susan Dubberley" <susan.dubberley@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/26/2178

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 01/10/2026 2:26 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Between 149 And 161 College Lane Hurstpierpoint West Sussex
Proposal:	Erection 6no. dwellings with associated access, landscaping, parking and areas of open space.
Case Officer:	Susan Dubberley

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Customer Details

Address:	27 COLLEGE LANE HURSTPIERPOINT West Sussex
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Comments Details

Comment er Type:	Neighbour or general public
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Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
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Reasons
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comment:

Comment s:	I strongly object to the proposed erection of 6 dwellings with associated access, landscaping and parking on land between 149-161 College Lane.
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The site is located along a rural lane with no continuous footway through that section. College Lane is already unable to cope with the current volume of traffic which use it on a daily basis, especially during term time with students of Hurst

College having to arrive by car (due to the college recognising that arriving on foot / by bicycle would pose a serious risk). The lane is gridlocked at peak times on a daily basis and any closures of surrounding routes such as Hurstpierpoint High Street significantly worsen this situation. As a resident of College Lane, I frequently see traffic backed up past my property (no 27) as vehicles struggle to pass each other through the narrow part of the lane. This is the route that I would ideally take to reach my place of work in Sayers Common, however due to volume of traffic, this 10 minute journey at peak times, can take me in excess of 30 minutes, meaning that I am instead forced to take the route through Hurstpierpoint High Street which only serves to exacerbate congestion in that area.

Furthermore, vehicles such as coaches attempting to access the college frequently become stuck and either cause damage to parked cars and property, or utter chaos as they are required to reverse all the way back to Highfield Drive in order to turn around. There have been occasions where emergency services have been unable to get down the lane.

This site is adjacent to a 7 property development (DM/24/11390) with the same concerns having been raised in relation to that planning application. Local residents are already being impacted by the lorries and additional construction traffic accessing that site.

Any decision on DM/26/2178 cannot be taken in isolation and must be carefully considered in conjunction not only with DM/24/1139 but also in the context of the numerous other sites in and around Hurstpierpoint which had been put forward as part of amendments to the District Plan. Whilst the proposals put forward in DM/26/2178 alone would have a significant impact on road safety and the rural nature of the area, the cumulative impact of all the proposed sites would be devastating to village life, local wildlife and cause chaos on the roads in and around the village.

I would strongly request that the planning officer visit this site at approx 8.15am during term time to witness the challenges we face on a daily basis for themselves.

Where did you hear about this application?	Not specified
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Kind regards