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To: "Andy Watt" <andy.watt@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/24/2957

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 10/12/2025 1:36 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	The Prince Albert Copthorne Bank Copthorne Crawley West Sussex RH10 3QX
Proposal:	Sever existing land to retain existing public house use and area of pub garden and erect a convenience store and 4 no. apartments with associated works, including alterations to the existing vehicular access and car park (Amended plans and retail justification received 1 May 2025) (Updated drainage, ecology and landscaping information received 26 June 2025) (Off-site highways works plan received 9 September 2025) (Retail Justification Addendum received 10 November 2025)
Case Officer:	Andrew Watt

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Customer Details

Address:	26 Erica Way Copthorne Crawley
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I feel I need to emphasise the threat to the Post Office within the Kwik Mart store if this application is granted. If the MSDC Officer refers to the strategic publications and specific responses from the

Tesco Group regarding queries about Post Offices within Tesco Express stores, it will be seen that the Group state very clearly that a Post Office does not fit within their planned profile and footprint of such offerings. Indeed they refuse to give assurances about the continuation of such services in acquired retail stores, trading under historic brands other than Tescos. Therefore there should be no hopeful ambiguity placed upon an expectation that the sequential threat to the convenience offerings in the village of Copthorne does not carry an absolute threat to a vital community service as listed in the made Neighbourhood Plan and the weight given to this consideration should be substantial.

Kind regards