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To: "Susan Dubberley" <susan.dubberley@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 25/10/2025 3:37 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Sussex House Perrymount Road Haywards Heath West Sussex RH16 1DN
Proposal:	Demolition of the existing buildings and construction of a new food store (Use Class E(a)), with access, car and cycle parking, landscaping and associated works. A 'Copenhagen' crossing along the site entrance and the installation of cricket nets.
Case Officer:	Susan Dubberley

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Customer Details

Address: Lower Sheriff Farmhouse Highbrook Ardingly

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	All 3 major supermarkets in Haywards Heath will now be concentrated at the northern end of the town, with none serving the many central and southern end of town. Moreover there are frequent bottlenecks when the station car park is emptying, with commuter cars, taxis and Waitrose shoppers all competing to exit onto Perrymount Road, right next to a nursery. This bunching of traffic creates a real hazard to pedestrians on

Perrymount road and particularly those trying to cross the road at the roundabout at Commercial Square. This crossing is already dangerous. If a pedestrian crossing were to be introduced this would create massive traffic backlogs. By all means let Aldi come to Haywards Heath. Somewhere else. It's my understanding that Aldi prefer to site themselves next to Waitrose in order to siphon off customers from the John Lewis store. But this corporate strategy - if it exists - should not override the quality of life of Haywards Heath residents. I wonder how many of the people supporting this application actually live in Haywards Heath and suspect many are commuters who want to shop at Aldi before driving home from the station and do not care at all about what goes on the rest of the time.

Kind regards