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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 September 2026 23:39
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: 6 Additional Houses in College Lane REF: DM/26/2178

Dear Mid Sussex Council,

I object to the proposed addition of 6 houses to College Lane.

The traffic levels in College Lane are already far too high. People drive far too fast in this section on College Lane which has restricted traffic flow in the narrow Heritage Conservation Section. There are parked cars blocking one side of this very narrow road.

Just two days ago I experienced a car driving towards me at 40 to 50 mph in a 30 mph zone which should really be restricted to a 20 mph speed limit.

Additional housing will create more hard surfaces which will decrease absorption of rain water and increase the run off of water into College Lane. College Lane is already a road which is vulnerable to flood in episodes of heavy rain as experienced on the 2nd of June 2026.

Any increase in housing in College Lane will also put a strain on the sewage system. At some point soon the sewage system may fail in a similar way to on Jane Murray Way in Burgess Hill this year. This is what happens when you build extra housing that exceeds the capacity of existing infrastructure. In this case you need bigger or extra sewage pipes. As well as the increased capacity required at the sewage treatment works.

Mid Sussex Plans to build 6000 additional houses in Hurstpierpoint and Sayers Common will overwhelm our sewage systems. It will also cause low pressure or no water in our water supply system. Eventually Hurstpierpoint could have new or existing houses which are uninhabitable due to infrastructure failing in many areas. It's time to stop building more and more houses. It is time to build a new town somewhere away from Haywards Heath, Burgess Hill, Hassocks, Hurstpierpoint and Sayer's Common.

Please do not grant permission for these 6 additional houses.

Regards

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