

Steve Ashdown

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Sent: 08 January 2024 14:20
To: Steve Ashdown
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application DM/23/2867

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 08/01/2024 2:19 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land East Of Ansty Way Cuckfield Bypass Cuckfield West Sussex
Proposal:	Change of use of farmland and woodland to parkland reserve to include public access and instigation of long-term management and rewilding regime, including establishment of pedestrian and cycle tracks, with new pedestrian and cycle access points off Cuckfield Road to the south and Staplefield Road to the north. Proposals to include the addition of two wooden viewing platforms and two hides. Sports pitches at Beech Farm Field to remain in sports use.
Case Officer:	Stephen Ashdown

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Customer Details

Address:	Tentercroft Broad Street Cuckfield
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	I wish to object to the application to change the use of farmland to parkland as I see this as a threat for further development in the future for this land. The Applications DM/23/2867 (Parkland Reserve) cannot be considered separately from DM/23/2866 (Ansty Farm development site) because the would be developer Fairfax in its supporting documentation makes clear that the mandatory 20% bio-diversity net gain (BNG) is to be provided by compensatory "improvements" to the Parkland Area. There is a substantial impact on the neighbouring listed buildings notably Cuckfield Park. There has been insufficient ecological impact information submitted. The construction phase will cause long term damage to the area which will take years to recover. There are already beautiful walks on well used footpaths throughout the area, no

enhancement is needed.

The application does not conserve or enhance natural beauty which therefore contravenes the current district plan (2014-2031) policy DP16.

Kind regards