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To: "Joseph Swift" <joseph.swift@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 26/01/2026 5:06 PM.

Application Summary

Address:	Land Off West Hoathly Road East Grinstead West Sussex
Proposal:	The erection of 44 new homes with access from West Hoathly Road, vehicle and cycle parking, landscaping, drainage, and associated infrastructure and highway works.
Case Officer:	Joseph Swift

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Customer Details

Address:	2 Tobias Green Coombe Hill Road East Grinstead
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Traffic and road safety concerns: The development of the proposed site for housing would inevitably create an increase of traffic than that stated in the survey provided in the application and would greatly affect the area. The following should be taken in to account: Dunnings Mill Road has 10 adjoining side roads already with many traffic movements from housing and on street parking which currently makes negotiating the road difficult and dangerous. West Hoathly Road is narrow and junctions with access to

Peredur Centre, Trefoil School, the old nursing home and the popular Standen National trust house and gardens . Along these roads there is access to 2 nurseries, a junior school, Tobias School, Bullrushes farm industrial units (over 20 addresses) which already mean many traffic movements.

New recycling scheme due to come in after April will also result in more frequent and large vehicles serving this area.

There is often speeding traffic in Dunnings Road, in both directions .

For pedestrians the pavements are narrow, particularly for pushchairs uneven and not well maintained, they are no raised kerbs and the road is a steep walk into town. Often the roads in the vicinity of Old Dunnings Mill PH are flooded when there has been rain and create a hazard for pedestrians using the pavements and bus stops. The proposed development would greatly increase traffic movements and exacerbate the above conditions.

Bus services are only every other hour (non on Sundays) from stops that have no specific waiting pavement area, no shelter or seating and no raised platforms, making it unpleasant and difficult, along a well used road already.

The proposal conflicts with national planning policy objectives on sustainable transport, road safety and climate impact.

Environmental concerns:

The site has been agricultural land for many decades, which has provided grazing for sheep more recently. The field is in the High Weald AONB and leads on to extended areas of natural environment. The loss of flora and fauna to development would be impactful to bats, birds, badgers, bees etc and would be an intrusion into the countryside and which must be preserved. Agricultural land is also important for the future.

We are concerned that the proposed site is where the road reaches the bottom of a valley. The run off from the development would increase the risk of this flooding.

Services:

The GP services are stretched in this area and enquiries need to be made of Ship Street surgery as to availability of adequate services.

Finally:

We are also greatly concerned that the plan will provide the potential for further development of the countryside along side or behind this site in the AONB.

Kind regards

