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Sent: 18 April 2026 09:24:06 UTC+01:00
To: "Martin Dale" <martin.dale@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/2223

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 18/04/2026 9:24 AM.

Application Summary

Address:	Juhring And Hobbs Field At Saint Hill Manor Saint Hill Road East Grinstead West Sussex
Proposal:	Change of use of vacant land to event area for use with installation of permanent infrastructure and reinforced ground surfacing (cellular paving grid) to facilitate the erection of annual marquee structures including ground level alterations, wash block and toilets, generator enclosure and concrete ring together with the erection and dismantling of the temporary marquee structure themselves (for a total maximum period of 84 days per year) and overflow car parking for the Church and neighbouring sports clubs consisting of reinforced ground surfacing (cellular paving grid) for up to 683 car spaces (comprising up to 113 cars (Area A) for no more than 30 days per annum, 313 cars (Areas A & B) for no more than 13 days per year and up to 683 cars (Areas A, B & C) for no more than 7 days per year), construction of a new access and internal road, sustainable surface water and foul drainage provision, associated landscaping and ecological enhancements, (Amended Description, Plans, Documents)
Case Officer:	Martin Dale

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Customer Details

Address:	34 Manning Close East Grinstead
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Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour or general public
Stance:	Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	
Comments:	Three decades ago, I came to Saint-Hill. I was so impressed that I decided to stay and live in East Grinstead with my husband and kids. I love the way Saint Hill Manor is so well kept in harmony with its natural environment, be it flowers, superbe trees and immaculate lawns. Whenever I have visitors, I am always very proud to have them discover Saint Hill and its amazing natural surroundings. I am a Scientologist and every year; for the IAS event in the Fall I make sure I am in East Grinstead and nowhere else as I do not want to miss it. On this occasion, many of our friends, including from abroad, come and stay over several days. This is a major event for us which means so much. On that occasion, I am always impressed by the setup, be it the marquise, the temporary car park, and by getting everything taken down to normal so quickly afterwards. Considering that this event takes place in October, when East Grinstead, does not have that many visitors, it has a substantial positive economic impact locally. Also, part of the IAS event is aimed at helping local charities. From experience, I can honestly say that I expect every part of this project to be carried out while highly respecting the beautiful nature of our area. I'm impressed by the quality of the solution opted for the extra car park, which not only looks extremely good with its lawn looking layout and which will be used only for a short period of time in the year by the Church. It will also help the neighbouring sports centre when they have some special events. With this extra car park, there will be no need for cars to park along the road which makes it so dangerous. I personally had the experience of helping someone who had fallen along that road. Thank you for your consideration to this matter and I hope considering the positive impact this project will have locally and nationally, that it will be approved.

Kind regards