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To: "Andy Watt" <andy.watt@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/0897

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

Comments were submitted at 08/04/2025 4:12 PM.

Application Summary

Address: Land North Of Clayton Mills Ockley Lane Hassocks West Sussex

Proposal: To modify the Planning Obligation to read under Schedule 7 Clause 1.5 - In respect of the bridleway work, not without the consent of the County Council to allow occupation of the four hundred and fiftieth (450th) dwellings until the bridleway works have been completed to the satisfaction of the County council.

Case Officer: Andrew Watt

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Customer Details

Address: Burgess Hill Town Council 96 Church Walk Burgess Hill

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Town or parish council

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Reasons for comment:

Comments: DM 25/ 0897
Deed of variation request to planning permission DM/18/4979
Land North of Clayton Mills Ockley Lane Hassocks

Burgess Hill Town Council wishes to strongly object to the application to delay the completion of the cycle and footpath

(Bridleway) from the occupation of the 250th dwelling, until the occupation of the 450th dwelling.

The condition was set as completion of the Bridleway works prior to the occupation of the 250th home. This allowed for 250 families to move in to the south of Hassocks who may well be attending school (Downlands we believe is at capacity while Burgess Hill Academy has spaces) or employment in Burgess Hill and certainly will be seeking access to Burgess Hill for leisure and shopping pursuits. The provision of the bridleway is to facilitate a safe, sustainable passage between the new estate and the neighbouring Town.

Sustainable travel routes, including pedestrian and cycling pathways, are essential for promoting environmentally friendly transport choices, reducing carbon emissions, and enhancing the overall accessibility of the development. The delay in implementing these routes would undermine the core objectives of the planning condition and negatively impact the residents' ability to engage in active travel, leading to an increased dependency on private cars and contributing to traffic congestion. Burgess Hill Town Council respectfully request that the planning authority take all necessary steps to ensure that the sustainable travel routes are constructed in accordance with the original occupation threshold. Delaying the delivery of this essential infrastructure undermines the planning condition's purpose and could have long-term negative impacts on the community's sustainability.

Kind regards