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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 03/02/2026 6:56 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:	3 Streatfield Place 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:	I was devastated to hear about this planning application. As a long standing resident of East Grinstead I am heartbroken at the idea that an area of outstanding natural beauty is to be over run with more housing. Rocking Hill Wood is a beautiful place and I walk there every day. People travel from miles around to visit Standen House and they will no longer be able to walk through these areas as it will be a building site. This will also result in a huge loss of habitat for protected species such as owls, badgers and wild birds, as well as the amazing herds of deer who roam through this

area as well as the loss of important, ancient trees and bluebell woodland. The views from Standen House and the beautiful grounds will be ruined forever due to significant overbearing impact and loss of outlook. Similarly, there will be a significant and catastrophic increase in noise and disturbance - horrible for those in the surrounding areas, such as the forest school and special needs schools along West Hoathly Road, but also for those visiting Standen and local people trying to go about everyday life.

Equally, the surrounding infrastructure simply cannot support this new development. We have recently been without water for nearly a week and the addition of more houses on this network will not help with matters such as these. Similarly, and perhaps most importantly, the roads are horrific enough as it is, let alone with the addition of another 200+ people in such a small area. This is a MASSIVE highway safety issue. West Hoathly Road is treacherous and is already a narrow bottleneck. Parking along Dunnings Road is already dangerous and the addition of more footfall and traffic is a recipe for disaster, particularly with the addition of large construction traffic too. This road is already perilous but during the cold winter or particularly rainy days it becomes treacherous and downright dangerous as it is. I plead with you to reconsider this proposal.

Kind regards